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Comments: I would like to comment on the Environmental Impact Statement and Draft Final Forest Plan #44089. I object to the preferred alternatives proposed management of the Hoodoo Roadless Area and the plan's lack of wildlife standards for wolverines and mountain goats.

The Forest Service should manage the entire Hoodoo Roadless Area (151,874 acres) as Recommended Wilderness. The Hoodoo Roadless Area provides important habitat for many sensitive species, especially near the Stateline, where this plan proposes removing sections of Recommended Wilderness.

Prohibiting winter motorized use in the Great Burn is critically important, as research has found that this use can detrimentally impact wildlife behavior and winter habitat. Additionally, the Forest Service must add binding wildlife standards to the forest plan to ensure species survival into the future.

I understand the pressure to expand motorized areas but some places such as the proposed great burn wilderness area just need to be allowed to rest in the winter as its pressure in the non winter months has steadily increased over the last few years.

Additionally, there will be taxpayer funds needed for parking areas, plowing, law enforcement, etc when resources are stretched thin as it is.

Thank you for considering my objection.