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I am writing in objection to the Forest Plan Revision #44089.

This Forest Revision comes short in many areas that are of concern.

-The recommendation for wilderness area is only 17% of the 1.5 million acres of roadless areas in the forest. I would request a much greater area of wilderness included to permanently protect the roadless areas that have had prior protection as such.

-There are few enforceable measures of old growth forest. I would request clear, measurable, and enforceable standards to define and protect old growth areas.

-The stream buffers are reduced. I would recommend much greater distances on stream buffers to better protect the waterways adjacent to logging and road areas.

-Wildlife protection is limited. I would recommend road density standards and motorized use standards to protect grizzly, mountain goat, wolverine, lynx, fisher, or marten habitat.

-The logging plan is an increase of 6 times the 2000 average. I would recommend keeping logging to a minimum of the 2000 levels to ensure reduced road building, decrease in clear cut size, and sustainable timber production.

This Forest Revision is unacceptable and should address the above conditions in a healthy sustainable manner that is suitable to our 2024 needs and desires for a healthy forest and ecosystem in the Clearwater and Nez Perce National Forests.