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I am very concerned about the change in land use of 32,000 acres in the Great Burn study area. This would greatly effect the hopeful wilderness designation of those acres into a future Great Burn Wilderness. These lands also appear to intrude on some Wolverine habitat as well. I am sure you realize that these animals need wide swaths of wilderness in order to thrive. Opening this up to snowmobiles (motorized vehicles) and heavy mountain biking will surely intrude on there need for isolation. I have also read that this area is a natural corridor for Grizzly Bears who need to expand their range (improve genetic diversity) to insure their survival from impacts to climate change. Please reconsider your decision. I realize your job is very difficult and I respect the difficulties of the many needs of your constituency but wildlife must take precedent so I plead with you to reconsider your decision. Thank you and Best Regards, John de Neeve