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Comments: As someone who has spent many days in the Great Burn - I am concerned that the land is not over used, not overrun with mechanized vehicles - it is important to keep each NF land that has not yet been overused intact as our population grows.

Therefore Please:

Maintain the existing Hoodoo (Great Burn) Recommended Wilderness boundaries. In the Proposed Action, the Lolo NF has maintained the existing boundaries for the Great Burn Recommended Wilderness. Thank you and stay strong on this protection.

Please make sure the Ward-Eagle inventoried roadless area and Upper North Fork-Meadowcreek inventoried roadless area as Wilderness is continued. As you know these areas are currently classified as non-motorized backcountry, but deserve "recommended" status for their outstanding wilderness characteristics and wildlife habitat value.

Please prioritize wildlife habitat connectivity and corridor areas. The entire stateline area is key for large landscape connectivity, as well as more local elevational connectivity.

No non-conforming uses in recommended wilderness. By maintaining no mechanized or motorized in recommended wilderness areas we can ensure these areas remain eligible for permanent protection in the future.

Thank you -