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Comments: To Whom It May Concern:

I appreciate the great effort involved in revising the Forest Plan so as to ensure greater protection and restoration of the Clark Fork watershed. However, I feel that the plan does not adequately address sufficient protection and restoration of native fish and the floodplain, such vital and integral parts of the ecosystem. Climate change requires that water storage is considered more carefully, including consideration of storage during warm months, such as beavers and wetlands, and also man-made storage solutions if necessary. Additionally, I feel that greater emphasis should be placed on protecting vulnerable native species in the system, such as bull trout and cutthroat trout. By not allowing for motorized recreation, and a by placing a greater emphasis on removing fish passage barriers at a greater scale, much could be done to alleviate the great pressures that have been placed on these species.

Again, I very much appreciate the work that has been done and will be done to create this revision. Please do not let it go to waste through inadequate protection of the system that so desperately needs our attention at correct spatial and temporal scales. I know it is becoming clear to all of us that this is a time that calls for attending to our precious water resources to the greatest extent possible. I look forward to reading the Forest Plan after additional revisions.

Thank you!