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Comments: I support designation of Rattlesnake Creek as a wild, scenic, and recreational river. This creek is a major source of enjoyment for recreationists in the Rattlesnake Recreation corridor. It is habitat for American Dippers, Kingfishers, beavers, ermines, and hundreds of other species.

I do not support motorized use in the Rattlesnake corridor, except for limited official maintenance. Hikers and runners already occasionally suffer collisions from careless bikers. Adding power and speed will only increase those accidents.

I support efforts to improve fish passages by replacing culverts and restoring riparian habitat. Although I am not a fisherman, improvements in fish habitat benefit other species in the riparian corridor.

I support efforts to bring back beavers. Research shows that beaver ponds replenish groundwater and improve habitat for other species. I would love to see protections extended to beavers so that they can provide their eco-engineering services on federal lands without being trapped.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the new Forest Plan.