Data Submitted (UTC 11): 5/2/2024 9:55:07 PM First name: Ted Last name: Grudowski Organization: Title: Comments: I fully support and encourage the US Forest Service and its partners to move forward with restoring Gold Creek, including the restoration of Gold Creek Pond into its natural wetland state.

The restoration is critical to endangered aquatic wildlife, such as bull trout and other salmonids, as well as the myriad of terrestrial wildlife that use the Gold Creek corridor, and will compliment the enormous efforts made to reconnect the North and South Cascades in the I-90 corridor.

Restoring Gold Creek is the right thing to do.