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Comments: The forest service continues to try to mislead us on the Forest Revision Plan. The BIC was set up to engage with the public. This has not happened to the extent expected or required. The public has been stonewalled and not allowed to participate in the process. The Forest Service wants to close both Umatilla and Wallowa Whitman National Forest. Both are the only two open forests left. The forest service has not followed NEPA law, and they continue to close roads illegally.

With the continued threat of climate change, why on earth would the forest service continue to want designated wilderness area where wildfires cannot be fought? It makes more sense to have better management of the forest by maintaining a cleaner forest by letting ranchers put their cows in those areas to keep the burning materials down. And the forest looks cleaner also.

I live in Sumpter and being closer to the forest is why I live here and have access to it by four wheelers and snowmobiles. Our town's businesses depend on our forest being open for people to come up and enjoy that.
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