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Comments: Dear Acting Forest Service Supervisor Abbas,

I am writing with the concerns below regarding the Lost Lake Successional Reserve Acreage Swap:

This proposal needs an in-depth environmental analysis or EIS rather than the Categorical Exclusion due to the significant change of allowable land use that's proposed.

The acreage of the trade-out area is one of the most productive spring Chinook tributaries in the watershed. Chinook salmon are a keystone species that are vital to the health of the ecosystem and they are also vulnerable to water temperature and flow changes. These headwaters of Lake Branch should be protected and increased development for human recreation minimized.

Please retain Lost Lake recreation area within the LSR #RO-201. These changes would be hard, if not impossible, to reverse and more extensive research is needed to inform this proposal.

Sincerely,

Jodie Gates