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Comments: There is a need to manage recreation access to the Giant White Pine trailhead and associated trail system and improve public safety at the Giant White Pine Campground parking area.

The Palouse Ranger District proposes a suite of activities to respond to the purpose and need for this project, directed by the Nez Perce-Clearwater Land Management Plan:

600 acres of commercial harvest to recover the economic value, manage forest vegetation to reduce total stand density, improve species composition towards seral species dominance, improve size class distribution to promote forest resiliency, and break up continuity of fuels to mitigate the risk of wildfire,

Approximately 20.5 miles of system road maintenance,

Approximately 8.5 miles of temporary road construction,

The bridge on motorized trail #221-A will be replaced to promote public safety and minimize erosion potential along Mannering Creek. To enhance access and reduce erosion potential, approximately one-half mile of trail #228 will be rerouted to improve the trail alignment. The existing visitor parking next to the Giant White Pine trailhead will be expanded by approximately one-half acre to improve public safety and respond to the increase public demand of the use of the area. The expansion of the parking areas will stay within the existing White Pine Campground administrative site.