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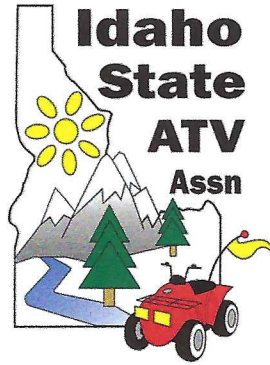
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Regarding: Interested Person Request to Participate in the "2023 Land Management Plan for Nez Perce-Clearwater National Forests" ("Forest Plan") and the "Final Environmental Impact Statement for the Land Management Plan Nez Perce-Clearwater National Forests" ("FEIS") Objection Resolution Process

Objection Issues that I have an interest in:

- Recommended Wilderness Designations impacting motorized Off-Highway Vehicle opportunities.
- Lack of Sustainable Recreation Management Objectives to address over 50" OHVs; decommissioning roads being transformed into OHV trails and non-motorized trails; when loss motorized opportunities occur the forest creates an opportunity somewhere else locally within the forest.
- Recreation Opportunity Spectrum, non-motorized ROS overlay on Front Country and Roadless Areas
- Lack of clarity on how the forest intends to consider the 2008 Idaho Roadless Rule areas with regards to ATV Trails

Brief Explanation of Objection:

- Recommended Wilderness and Wild & Scenic Designations. The Idaho State ATV/UTV Association represents Idaho Clubs many clubs across the State of Idaho. In particular to the Nez Perce-Clearwater Forests region, our Clubs are Elk City Dust Devils ATV Club, P.L.A.Y., Idaho Pathfinders Assoc., Lewis-Clark ATV Club. Our position is that our members and State Association do not support adding additional acres to Wilderness, Recommended Wilderness Areas or Wild & Scenic Designations. Individually speaking, the proposed Meadow Creek RWA is a roaded area with motorized trails. The Nez Perce-CW NF office has acknowledged in 2018 that previous administration closed and changed motorized designations to non-motorized with a swipe of a pen without public and local community awareness, input and due process.



- Lack of Sustainable Recreation Management Objectives. I have provided data showing our growing OHV recreation user groups usage and disappointed there is nothing addressing these items in the Land Management Plan and FEIS.
- Non-motorized ROS kills any opportunity to add ATV Trail. I oppose and ROS designations that could set the stage for motorized closures to Off-Highway Vehicles and up to Full Size Vehicle classifications.
- 2008 Idaho Roadless Rule needs to be added and spell out clarity with regards to ATV Trails.

Statement Demonstrating the Requestor's previous participation in the Planning Process:

To Whom it May Concern: During the years, I have represented the Elk City Dust Devils ATV Club, Person of Interest and Idaho State ATV/UTV Association. I have ridden the Nez-CW trails since 1990 and coordinate trail work for the motorized community in the Greater Elk City Area. The Idaho County and Clearwater County Commissioners asked me along with P.L.A.Y. VP David Galantuomini to participate in their County-Forest Service Forest Revision Planning Meetings. I was involved with the Planning process where I coordinated Elk City Business one-on-one's with the Floor Supervisor Cheryl Probert, when the Forest Team held their townhall meeting in Elk City, Idaho. At a January 2024 Clearwater Basin Collaborative meeting, Cheryl Probert asked me to keep engaged in this process, in which I am fully engaged. I submitted comments orally via the above meetings and submitted written comments during the Planning Phase and Objection Phase. My Objection Comments are associated to my Planning Comments. I am commenting for myself individually and for ISATVA.

Clubs listed in the cc line are examples of users in the Nez Perce-Clearwater National Forests. ITMA and ISTAV/UTVA have held their State Meetings in this forest and there has been Veteran Rides. Motorized recreation needs to be recognized and both Forests needs to allow for increase opportunities in both National Forests. I look forward to participating in the Objection Resolution meetings.

Sincerely,

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cc: Idaho County Commissioner Board, Skip Brandt
Clearwater County Commissioner, Rick Miller
Elk City Dust Devils ATV Club
Idaho Pathfinders Association
P.L.A.Y.
Lewis-Clark ATV Club
Magic Valley ATV Riders
High Country Snowmobile Club
Grangeville Sno-Drifters

Valley Cats Snowmobile Club
Clearwater Ridge Runners
Old Folks on Spokes
Idaho Trail Machine Association
Senator James Risch
Senator Mike Crapo
Representative Russ Fulcher