The following recommendation for wilderness classification was made by the Forest Service following technical field studies and a public hearing regarding the Idaho and Salmon River Breaks Primitive areas.

Recommendation

It is recommended that 1,540,164 acres of National Forest land within the Boise, Challis, Payette, Salmon, Bitterroot, and Nezperce National Forests in Idaho be classified by Congress and added to the National Wilderness Preservation System in accordance with the provisions of the Wilderness Act of September 3, 1964 (P.L. 88-577). This includes 1,147,794 acres of the 1,224,189-acre Idaho Primitive Area and 131,856 acres of contiguous area, as well as 207,506 acres of the 216,870-acre Salmon River Breaks Primitive Area and 53,008 acres of contiguous area.

It is further recommended as follows:

- 1. The area north of the Salmon River and east of the Whitewater Ranch Road be named the Salmon River Wilderness. The area north of the Salmon River and west of the Whitewater Ranch Road be named the Dixie Wilderness. The area south of the Salmon River be named the Idaho Wilderness.
- 2. Primitive Area status be rescinded from 69,994 acres found to be unsuitable for inclusion in the National Wilderness Preservation System.
- 3. Primitive Area status be rescinded from 15,765 acres within the Salmon River corridor. This area is being recommended for classification under the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act.

Additions

- A Horse Creek
- B Upper Clear Creek
- C Yellow Jacket, Woodtick
- D Loon and Little Loon Creek
- E South Fork Salmon River

Exclusions

- 1 Sugarloaf Mountain
- 2 Middle Fork Peak
- 3 Pistol Creek
- 4 Thunder Mountain Road
- 5. Thunder Mountain
- 6 Big Creek
- 7 Whitewater Ranch Road
- 8 Nezperce Trail Road
- 9 Salmon River Corridor



