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Comments:

I am concerned that the Salmon-Challis Forest Plan Revision #49464 impacts public users that have used this area for hang gliding and paragliding for years. I also believe this is an impact that could be mitigated. I am aware that the Boxer-McKeon Wilderness Bill of 2008 created 470,000 acres of new wilderness in the Inyos and Whites, while preserving access to hang glider launches, preserving the launches (Paiute, Gunter and Gunter bail-out, Mazourka, Mt Tom, and McGee) by excluding these roads and launches from the wilderness (called cherry-stemming). Cherry-stemming appears to be a viable option for Salmon-Challis and would allow the hang gliding and paragliding public users and local community to continue to benefit, while expanding the protection of the area.