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The Honorable Governor Otter
State Capitol
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Dear Governor Otter,

The Idaho Wildlife Federation asks for your support for wilderness legislation of the Scotchman Peaks area in North Idaho. Undeveloped, unspoiled public lands like the Scotchman Peaks are where you can find some of the best hunting and fishing that Idaho has to offer for elk, deer, bear, goat, wolf, and trout.

The Idaho Wildlife Federation was founded in 1938 by sportsmen and women of Idaho who recognized the necessity of sound management of our fish and wildlife and related habitat to preserve Idaho's rich sporting tradition. We are dedicated to promoting the conservation and protection of our natural resources, wildlife, and wildlife habitat for future and current generations.

As such, we support wilderness designation that will protect quality hunting, fishing, and other traditional uses. By establishing Scotchman Peaks as officially designated wilderness, the area would have the highest level of protection available for natural, historical and cultural resources, ensuring that future generations of hunters and anglers will always have truly wild places to visit in North Idaho.

Wilderness designations like these are crucial as landscapes that are still in a primitive and pristine condition are fast-dwindling. They protect critical habitat that our fish and wildlife need to thrive, as well as our most treasured places to hunt and fish.

The Idaho Wildlife Federation, sportsmen and women, and all Idahoans appreciate your help and support. Please send the Idaho Wildlife Federation a response regarding your support for the Scotchman Peaks wilderness designation.

Thank you for your time and considering our request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'B. Brooks'.

Brian Brooks
Executive Director