Classification
Primitive Areas

Mr. H. E. Hoyt,
President, Lewiston Chamber of Commerce,
Lewiston, Idaho.

Dear Mr. Hoyt:

Here is a copy of a map of the Selway-Bitterroot
Primitive Area. It is sent in the belief that you and your
organization may be interested in knowing that such a map is
available for public distribution. We could supply you with
50 or 60 copies, upon request.

The primitive area idea is rapidly taking form in the
public's mind as an exceptionally meritorious movement to
preserve in a near-natural state selected tracts of land
suited for such.

Many men, and women too, deep down crave the natural
amenities which flow only from living now and then far
removed from the hurly-burly of life's modern turmoil. Those
who do, crave association with nature in the rough. They
yearn for solitude - to live and listen to the quiet of the
wilderness. Recreation areas of ordinary sorts - even the
National Parks with their crowds - do not afford possibilities
in this connection.

To satisfy this form of recreation, the primitive areas
are set aside. There people can go, hunt with camera or gun,
test their skill in woodcraft, and their endurance, solilo-
quise before the campfire, and enjoy the life encountered by
our early day explorers of one hundred or more years ago. They
offer fertile fields for the enlargement of knowledge of
nature and cultivation of health, character, good citizenship,
and love of country.

This area lies at the back door of Lewiston. Your city
is one of the ports of entry. Why can't your organization
capitalize on it?

Very sincerely yours,

[Signature]

Svan W. Kelley, Regional Forester