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Wilderness Areas
Selway-Bitterroot

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May 4, 1940.

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Regional Forester,
Missoula, Montana.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of March 28.

The Acting Chief and the staff have decided that your proposal to rename a portion of the Selway-Bitterroot area as a memorial to Bob Marshall is the most suitable one.

The Secretary recently approved the designation of an existing primitive area as a wilderness area without advertising, on the basis that the primitive classification imposed restrictions identical with those which will be imposed under Regulation U-1. A review of the management plan for the Selway-Bitterroot area and your letter of March 28 indicate that under a liberal interpretation of the restrictions the same can be said of the Selway-Bitterroot area providing it is reduced in size to exclude all of the sections into which roads are to be built.

If you still agree to this proposal, we shall be pleased to have you prepare a new report and map of the area in accordance with circular U-1, for submission to the Secretary. We believe that the area should be named the "Bob Marshall Wilderness Area".

It is hoped you can give this matter your early attention.

Very truly yours,

C. E. Rachford

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Acting Chief, Forest Service

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