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**Classification**  
**Primitive Areas**

April 1, 1937.

Mr. H. H. 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 amusements which flow only from living now and then far removed from the hurly-burly of life's modern turmoils. These 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, soliloquize 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 capitalise on it?

Very sincerely yours,

*Evan W. Kelley*

EVAN W. KELLEY, Regional Forester.

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