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As an avid angler, I am writing to express my desire that no federal lands be placed under the control of the state of Idaho. Anyone who knows the history of our national parks understands that the federal government is more protective of lands than are states. Especially in the case of Idaho, a state ranked 49th in per capita income, we can't count on the state to protect the lands from development and/or conversion to private land. Also as poor as Idaho is, how will the monies be found to take care of the lands as well as the federal government has. This is just another anti-government move by Idaho-and will have the same result as other efforts-poor schools, poor medical care, poor care for state inmates (great example of effects of "privatization"), poor aid to the poor and extremely low personal income. There is nothing to be gained by this conversion but the further rape of our resources by private interests.

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