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I strongly object to the USFS plan to destroy thousands of acres of forest in the name of "saving it."

Recent "controlled" burns that have gotten *out* of control because they were set in very dry conditions on very windy, red-flag days have been a signal to all of us that the Forest Service lacks the expertise and the level of care needed to undertake such a project.

In addition, they have ignored all of the most recent science regarding wildfires in the west and the impact of climate change on regeneration of the forest.

I have noted before that the USFS is *required* by law to undertake an Environmental Impact Statement before beginning a project of this size. Their refusal to do so, besides flying in the face of the law and public opinion, opens them to great liability for losses during the out-of-control burns. Of course, in the end, the taxpayer pays for this liability, but it should come directly from the USFS budget.

The unbelievable arrogance of the USFS in ignoring the law, public opinion, science and common sense is highly objectionable and is putting out beloved forests at risk.

Do an EIS now.

Use common sense when setting fires, or better yet, don't set them at all.

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