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Dear Forest Service Officials.

My name is Anna Gieselman and I am a resident of Santa Fe, NM. I regularly enjoy our national forests where I hike, camp and hunt.

I am writing to express my objection to the plan of the Forest Service and Acting Forest Supervisor James Duran, known as the Santa Fe Mountains Landscape Resiliency Project and specifically to request that no action be taken by the forest service until a new Environmental Impact Statement be created that addresses the very real concerns of our community.

In my draft environmental assessment comments, I stated concerns about how air, soil and water quality would be damaged by this proposed project. I also expressed concerns about the forest services inability to manage "controlled" burns, as was so sadly witnessed in the 2022 record breaking fires that caused the death of countless animals, trees and peoples homes and livelihoods.

In the words of David Birnbaum, "It seems beyond belief that the Forest Service can make the decision to declare a "finding of no significant impact" and use that as an excuse to refuse the repeated requests and demands."

My objections would be resolved if the forest service would complete a comprehensive Environmental Impact Statement with site-specific information provided and a full range of alternatives included. For this impact statement, a broad range of the best available science must be incorporated in the planning and analysis of this project, the public must be genuinely included in project planning and finally and perhaps most importantly, the potential for escaped prescribed burns must be considered with preventative details included!

Thank you for taking the time to read and consider this letter of objection from one of your fellow community members.

Sincerely,

Anna Gieselman