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Dear Project Leader Lisa Bousfield, I am writing to voice concerns over the Antelope Tennant Recovery Project. I have concerns about the request that this project be filed using an Emergency Situation Determination since the fires occurred in 2021. I believe that the public should be allowed more opportunity to comment on the plan and that the best projects occur when all stakeholders are given ample opportunity to review proposals. I am also concerned with the planned salvage logging scope and scale. I believe a broader protection area should be included around the Medicine Lake Highland Traditional Cultural Property.

Lastly, as part of the world we need to consider how connected our forests are to the rest of the world.

This map shows the net change in forest cover across the world. Countries with a positive change (shown in green) are re-growing forest faster than they're losing it. Countries with a negative change (shown in red) are losing more than they're able to restore.

A note on UN FAO forestry data

Data on net forest change, afforestation and deforestation is sourced from the UN Food and Agriculture Organization's Forest Resources Assessment

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Thank you,
Virginia Phelps