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Comments: Comments regarding Forsythe II Project

I own a home in the Big Springs subdivision of Nederland, CO, and I support patch-cutting and thinning in the adjacent areas -- I support this under the assumption that this work is done according to a solid scientific plan and with due consideration to the immediately adjacent homeowners, as this will impact the general aesthetics of the neighborhood and may also impact property values. Of particular interest is your treatment the immediately adjacent Lodgepole Areas 1, 2, 3, and 4, and Mixed Conifer Area 63, and with particular interest in the removal or mitigation of dog-hair Lodgepole stands.

I support this for two (possibly independent) reasons: (1) to reduce fire danger in the Big Springs subdivision, and (2) to restore the forest to a healthier, more nature state.

I realize some people don't like the way a recently cleared area looks or are generally against removing any trees, but I'm willing to accept this if it's a necessary step to meeting these goals and if it's done with due consideration to aesthetics.

Thanks for your efforts in this area.

regards,

-Brian Kauffman, 45 Valley View, Nederland