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Comments: I would like to let you know that I do not agree with the prospect and potential of logging up to 90,000 acres of forest along with Herbicide application which is proposed on up to 63,700 acres for control of "less desirable" native vegetation. Mechanical treatments and fire should be used to control these species where practical.

Non-native invasive species are one of the biggest long-term threats to the Foothills. The Forest Service should take advantage of this opportunity to prioritize and develop detailed plans for controlling invasive species across the landscape.

Living adjacent to the forest, I ask that you not harm the natural habitat which provides so much on so many levels for so many living things.

I do support the agency's proposed actions to set aside 5,050 acres of old growth, and to improve soil and water quality through better maintenance and closure of roads that are sediment sources. Thank you for your efforts on behalf of this treasure.

Sincerely,

Kathy Stilwell