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Comments: First of all, thank you for allowing public comment on this very important document. This document will be a testament to how our actions now carry forward in how we value and conserve our forests and all they provide for us. I have only read parts of the document as it is very lengthy and detailed. One very important item I see lacking however is that there aren't any real concrete standards in how particular things are to be carried out. I would think that there would be scientific data to create these standards.

I would like to see this new forest plan include all the wilderness areas that were previously slated to be included in 2006, be included now. With population numbers on the rise, climate change an ever present threat and wildlife under stress, I feel this would help protect our diverse animal life while also providing carbon sequestration. We are losing our wilderness areas at a fast rate and need to forever protect them.

Included in the forest plan should be stronger language or standards to ensure that our watersheds are truly protected from being contaminated by fire mitigation efforts, oil and gas, grazing and any other man made threats. Thank you for hearing me out.