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Comments: Irene Hamilton <shimaham2@yahoo.com>Sent: Saturday, September 21, 2019 10:54 AMTo: FS-Comments Intermtn Ashley ForestPlanRevisionCc: Tim & Irene HamiltonSubject: Forestry PlanDear Forestry Managers.1.I give witness to the upper canopy of trees: Ponderosa, aspen, juniper, piñon pine, that grow and provide a shaded nursery for young grasses and forbs, as well as sprouts of shrubs and recruits of aspen and pines.2.The practice of juniper and piñon pine removal must be stopped. As an Indigenous Diné herbalist, I testify that those trees provide the ingredients for various medicinal treatments that have been used for millennia.3.It has been disheartening to read the news of the disappearance of countless species of birds. The preservation of remaining woodlands and forests would aid the survival of remaining species. Again I speak on behalf the Creation and her critters who need us to speak for them. I appeal to your humanity.4.The woodlands and forests do so much to absorb our planetary carbon surplus and keep our planet cool. We only see the trees above ground however below ground, their roots network promote optimum microbial health of the soil and its microbial organisms specific to locale.Thank you.Eirene Hamiltonshimaham2@yahoo.com