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Comments: No matter how you think national forests should be managed, eliminating the public from the decision-making process surrounding projects on their public lands is not a good approach. National forest users-including hikers, bikers, hunters, wildlife watchers and scenic drivers-won't know which areas are on the chopping block until the opportunities for public involvement required by federal law have long passed. The public and especially users of these lands deserve input on these projects and how the truth on how these protects will affect them. The government should never be allowed to operate behind a veil.