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Comments: This administration has done more to destroy our environment, for big business than any in history. We don't have a backup planet! Ultimately, the proposal gives the Forest Service free rein to implement potentially detrimental actions for decades to come. The worst aspect of the Foothills Landscape Project proposal is that it would strip the public's input on management decisions. As part of the project, the Forest Service will not make decisions about where logging, burning, and road-building will occur until public participation opportunities guaranteed by law have passed. 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 never the right 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. These people deserve a seat at the table."

Actions authorized under the project, which has no time limit, could begin immediately if it is approved. At the current pace of logging, it will take the Forest Service more than 40 years to complete all that it is proposing.

Critically, even the Forest Service does not know the locations of areas it will log, burn, build roads, or change recreation access but proposes to figure that out later, after public participation opportunities have passed.