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Comments: Dear USFS,

I am writing to express my concern with the Foothills Landscape project (#52509), and the open-ended plan for pesticide applications on over 74,500+ acres. Without a more specific identification of the application sites, this enormous amount of potential application is simply untenable.

While limited applications may be necessary as projects proceed, the sheer amount of Forest proposed for potential chemical treatment under the Foothills plan is disturbing.

I do not support any plan with this little amount of specific application or use case information that would allow chemicals to be applied to an unspecified acreage of our forests for the next 15 to 20 years. Even so, mounting scientific evidence of pesticide and herbicide effects on both people and wildlife prove these chemicals will be with us long after application.

Please keep the public informed on exactly where and how these chemicals will be applied BEFORE they are approved, utilizing the minimal effective amounts at all times, and allowing for the use of alternative methods and solutions (i.e. non-chemical) to be proposed and implemented when feasible.

Thank you for your kind consideration,

Ryan