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Comments: The Foothills Landscape Project will harvest over 60,000 acres of commercial grade timber and will include over 50,000 acres of prescribed burning, 360 miles of new bulldozer paths for the burning project and an unspecified number of roads as well as changes and relocation of trails and campgrounds.

The Foothill Landscape Project has loopholes that would allow logging without any public involvement and without the obligation to consider alternatives that would avoid unnecessary harm.

The condition-based Plan limits public involvement and feedback. Publicized in December 2019, minimized the time citizens have had to understand and review this Plan. It would appear that the USFS is attempting to "Check the Box" for public input so it can more quickly move forward with the project.

The long term scope of the project and the number of important decisions that won't be made until the public is taken out of the equation. Some of the project's proposed timbering might not take place for thirty or forty years. Future generations could be impacted by this project and might not even be born now.

The enormity of the area covered in this project is troubling:

- \* 60,000 acres of commercial timber harvest.
- \* 50,000 acres of prescribed burning.
- \* 350 miles of bulldozed paths to enable prescribed burning.
- \* Rerouting of more than 100 miles of established trails.
- \* Decommissioning trails and dispersed camping sites.

There should be more consensus with conservationists and recreation groups. This project leaves way too much undefined. Citizens should be given input opportunities once specific sites are identified.