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Comments: In order to best secure approval from the Forest Service for this project, we hope that the Mammoth Mountain Ski Resort is considering the construction of a wood-powered biomass facility that could serve as the primary heating system for the new base lodge facility while potentially also powering much of its electricity needs. This would contribute greatly to current and future fuels reduction projects both in the Inyo National Forest and the region by receiving thinned forest material and burning it in a much more publicly tolerable way in which smoke pollution is minimized. Furthermore, we hope any new construction project on the mountain which would involve a heated/powered facility would be looked upon more favorably when co-constructed with a biomass facility to contribute to forest health needs in the area.