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Comments: 1.Regarding Vegetation and Fire:

I support Alternative B.

Restoration (reseeding) of native grass and other native species is necessary.

Retention of all native creatures in a bioregion is dependent on a healthy life supporting environment.

At this point, it seems necessary to use a balance of mechanical treatments and wildland fire to bring restored health to the forests.

2.Regarding Riparian Areas:

I urge that Alternative C be integrated more substantially into Alternative B.

I want to see non-functioning riparian areas receive management emphasis with identified standards to be met until they are no longer at risk.

The population of Maricopa County continues to grow.

Fragile recovering ecosystems must be fully protected from the multiple impacts of a growing recreation seeking population until certified as healthy.

3.Recreational, Economic, Recreational, Resource Management including Mining/Fracking

Climate change effects migration of species toward higher elevations.

To support gradual adaptive change that may occur in the forest community itself, the forest wilderness plan needs to both identify and preserve the present connected regions of continuous/connecting wilderness Forest Lands leading northward.

Given our uncertain future, Forest species must have access to discover unimpeded natural migration routes through our forest lands to higher elevations for their own survival should the planet continue to experience increasing global warming..

Protect designated Forest Wilderness regions from development (economic, mining, public roads and highways) that breaks up and/or crosscuts our already designated forest wilderness regions.