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Comments: I object to this project for the following reasons:

- An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is necessary because of the huge scale of logging, its radical departure from previous Forest Service management direction, its controversial nature, and negative impacts on local communities and environment,

- The Forest Service must consider the importance of this National Forest for reducing existential dangers of climate change to locally and globally. Logging these forests will prevent carbon sequestration in them for decades.

-Because of extensive and ongoing clearcutting operations on nearby private and state timberlands, the Forest Service must allow this National Forest to mature naturally for carbon capture, clean water, sensitive wildlife habitat, and compatible recreation.

- New logging roads, including so-called "temporary" roads, act as vectors for invasive weeds and human-caused damage, and fragment habitat. Instead, the Forest Service should permanently close unneeded decaying roads.