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Comments: I strongly support an EIS being completed prior to considering this proposal, due to its huge scale, its radical departure from previous Forest Service management direction, its controversial nature, and negative impacts on local communities. The Forest Service must fully weigh the importance of this National Forest for reducing the existential dangers of climate change to both our regional ecosystems and human communities. Logging these forests defeats their carbon sequestration potential for decades to come.

Extensive clearcutting operations on private and state timberlands nearby make it particularly important for this National Forest to mature naturally for carbon capture, clean water, sensitive wildlife habitat, and compatible recreation.

I do not support the construction of new logging roads, including so-called "temporary" roads, which act as vectors for invasive weeds and human-caused abuses (including fires), while fragmenting habitat. Instead, the Forest Service should permanently close unneeded decaying roads.