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Comments: I'm not in favor of this "Vegetation Management Project" as it includes significant harvesting timber. Our U.S. Forest Service lands are essential for carbon sequestration. National Forest lands also contribute to clean water. Our state is good at commercial harvesting of timber and there is already plenty of clearcutting timber harvesting on private and state lands nearby. Raiding our National Forest for commercial profit defeats the purpose of protecting the forest lands that produce oxygen for our overall ecosystem. Reduction of forest lands all over the world is upsetting the delicate balance of our climate. When you harvest timber in our National Forests, you destroy one of the few powerhouses of oxygen production and carbon sequestration for decades to come. This radical departure in the direction of Forest Service management should require and Environmental Impact Statement at the very least. Sincerely, Sara Hiatt