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Comments: I am sending these comments to show full support for the Proposed Action as it is written. I commend you for the detailed instructions you have laid out to minimize the impact this project will have Environmentally. There are several precautions laid out within the project proposal that show The District Ranger is well aware of the surroundings and has every intention of protecting it from unwanted conditions. I also commend the project size. We need these large scale, multi year projects now more than ever. The current condition of the Forest is NOT consistent with the Forest Plan. We have averaged less than 800 acres a year of ESH on our National Forests for decades and now we are paying the price with old, wild fire prone forests that offer little to nothing for wildlife. A project of this size will help this immediate area, but I urge the FS to continue this type of Project and maintain the burn schedules and the TSI of the immature forests as proposed. Each year, we fall further and further behind. This project also builds off previous projects for this area, which is encouraged. My biggest concern with this project would be the lack of clear cutting. Seems there is a lot of shelter wood, TSI, selective cutting but not much clear cutting. Clear cutting has a distinct advantage to some wildlife over the other types of harvesting and offers better cover and native plant regeneration as a whole unit. The results of a clear cut cannot be substituted for selective cuts.