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Comments: The Twisp Forest Restoration Project is a horrendous proposal in so many ways. It ignores what we have learned over the past decades about what causes our forests to be vulnerable to catastrophic fires and plans to do more of just what got us into this predicament. It also ignores the Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest's own restoration strategy that was developed with science and the wisdom of experience with what failed with past practices. The large target trees of the project are much more valuable standing that they are cut and sent to market. The Methow Valley, with the Twisp River Valley as a crown jewel tributary environment, has shifted from a resource-based economy to a recreation-based economy, and in every way this proposal would seriously damage the later more important economy. From an economic and environmental standpoint this project deserves an F grade.