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Comments: My wife and I wish to thank the Forest Service for commencing this project. We reside within a couple hundred yards from the national forest and have first hand experience with dispersed shooting near our home. While we recognize that shooting can be a legitimate activity, it seems that the shooting in our area has mostly been undertaken by irresponsible shooters. A good deal of shooting has occurred within one mile from our home, has resulted in the destruction on full grown trees used as targets and the discarding of destroyed targets and hundreds and hundreds of shell casings throughout the area (which we have regularly had to clean up and dispose of). Shooting has also persistently occurred during times of high fire danger and corresponding shooting restrictions given that there is no way to meaningfully police and arrest these illegal activities. This uncontrolled shooting poses definite risks to persons such as my wife and I who often walk/hike throughout the forest areas in the vicinity of our home. And while we have not experienced it, neighbors have said they have witnessed stray bullets passing into/through their property. We strongly support the establishment of regulated shooting ranges in appropriately isolated areas and the elimination of random dispersed shooting in forest areas. Thank you for considering our comments.