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Comments: Why not practice selective timber harvesting rather clear cutting? Why burn at all? Selective harvesting reduces the fire danger and still keeps a habitat for animals, while allowing new growth and old growth in staggered time frames. You want substance? In the last 50 years, the world human population has doubled, we have lost 70% of wildlife from habitat destruction, 30% of birds, 95% old growth forest since Europeans arrived. I know the USFS mandate is resource management, but the times require new thinking, and the focus should shift to conservation. The construction industry is extremely wasteful, and too much scrap timber ends in the land fill.