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Comments: Thank you for considering the public comments on this issue. I understand it is a complex situation, but I feel strongly that we should maintain habitat and ecosystems as much as possible.

I advocate for Alternative 2, modified to give additional consideration to identifying Riparian Reserves and treatment plans in riparian areas, particularly within the Canyon Creek subwatershed. I believe this alternative will restore ecological processes to improve the health of this forest in the long term, while safeguarding soils and habitat in the short-term, and still provide commercial return for timber products.

The potential short-term impacts of Variable Retention Harvest are concerning, including opening up the canopy, altering hydrologic patterns, and impacting stream flow and sedimentation in Canyon Creek's sensitive fish habitat.

Thank you