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Comments: I oppose the Mud Creek Vegetation Management Project as proposed. The Draft Environmental Assessment does not adequately address the potential impacts of this project. If we don't know what specific activities will occur in what specific locations, the public cannot provide informed comments and the agencies cannot make informed decisions.

The Forest Service should complete an environmental impact statement that addresses the specific impacts of the project. There are several protected or sensitive species in the area that require protection and special consideration, including bull trout, Canada lynx, pearlshell mussels, wolverine, marten, and fisher. Before a final decision is made for this project, the Forest should prepare a full environmental impact statement that includes specific project plans for the public to review.

We are in a climate and extinction crisis and I support the Biden Administration's commitment to a goal of protecting 30% of our nation's land and water by 2030. The Forest Service appears to be working in opposition to this commitment.

The Forest Service needs to prepare an EIS that includes analysis of the impacts of the proposed project and proposed Forest Plan amendments on grizzly bear connectivity and recovery; soil health and potential loss of soil and carbon storage ; and impacts to other wildlife from building new roads, logging, and the other proposed activities.