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Comments: The Pack Creek Fire has given the 8000 people living in Moab Valley the opportunity to protect their culinary water supply in the Manti La Sal Mountains. Climate change is reducing the amount of snow recharging our watershed and rains are increasing due to warmer and longer summers. It is suicidal to allow the rains to runoff into the Colorado River. Intensive studies done above the city of Manti by the forest service clearly show that rain can be captured by utilizing proper grasses in a watershed.

Monticello and Blanding have no grazing in much of their watershed and Moab needs to have no grazing on the west side of the Manti La Sals. Grazing should not be renewed in the Pack Creek fire burn area. There are only two or three grazers on the west side of the Mountains and the needs of 8000 people and millions of dollars ofc infrastructure is far more important grazing.

The new Forest Plan needs to close the burned areas permanently.