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Comments:

I Have worked in Land Management throughout my career as a Wildlife Biologist. I have contributed to and reviewed many Management Plans, EAs, EISs, and Biological Assessments and Opinions.

I find the proposed objectives and management in the draft document, though lofty in places still sounds like boiler plate. Many objectives really counter balance one another. So management by compromise. Species management should be based on ecological principles rather than site specific management. Don't manage by known populations but the total habitat that can support these populations. Also we are already experiencing climate change. Looking at studies for past forest management particularly for timber and woodland management are already outdated.

I request that the Conservation Alternative https://www.mantilasalconservationalternative.org/the-conservationalternative-1 be fully compared to all Forest Service alternatives in the Draft Environmental Impact Statement. I feel the authors at least provide a more current and wholistic approach to this management plan which are realistic and applicable.