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Comments: These issues are extremely important to the health and wellness of our lands & all the residents that rely on them, human and otherwise. Thank you for making space for public comment.

As the Draft Environmental Impact Statement is developed there are some things that should be taken into consideration such as modernizing grazing management (by allowing no more than 30% utilization of native species), preservation of old-growth forests, intact roadless areas and wilderness, and protection of pinyon jays as a species of conservation concern.

The plan should adopt the Conservation Alternatives wilderness proposal and establish the following protected areas: Left Fork Huntington Creek Research Natural Area (RNA), Sinbad Ridge RNA, Red Towers Botanical Area, and Heliotrope Botanical Area.

I believe that partnerships with Native nations should be strongly encouraged in order to incorporate Indigenous Traditional Ecological Knowledge in the upcoming plans, as they have much experience living with and stewarding these lands.

Bears Ears planning belongs in the revised Monument Management Plan, not in this Forest Plan, and that plan should be written in cooperation with the BLM and with shared governance from Native nations.

Thanks for your time,