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Comments: Re: Santa Fe Mountains Landscape Resiliency Project

As a resident of the Canada de Los Alamos area, I was greatly disturbed to learn of this proposed mismanagement of the area that encompasses the Santa Fe water shed and the area to the north of my home.

I worked in the reforestation industry for 8 years and saw firsthand the effects of slash and burn approach to forest management. The effects on soil from water and wind erosion can be devastating and irreversible.

The water in my very shallow well is immediately affected by runoff from this forest. Prescribed burns in this area are more dangerous than any potential wildfire.

The Canada de Los Alamos valley is a natural funnel for smoke from any fires. I have asthma and any additional smoke would be detrimental to my health.

It is my understanding that there has not been an environmental analysis for this project. This is derelict.

If there is any kind of logging in this area the roads would be greatly affected.

The Forest Service has a history of selling off timber rights for very little money, building roads for the loggers and then walking away from the devastation left by the activity. This is taxpayer money handed over to commercial interests.

Our forests belong to us! There should be a much longer period of comment and input from the community. Also, there should be more specific information as to what is intended for this area.