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To Whom It Concerns, My response to these plans for the forest is very personal, as I have relocated to NM from CA 24 years ago to escape the impact of herbicide on my condition of severe MCS, and found myself having to constantly defend myself against the negative impact of smoke and all the chemicals it contains, increasingly through the years here. My health and my home have no stability, as I suffer severe relapses in my condition and exacerbation of life threatening symptoms, every time a prescribed burn takes place, if I do not literally pack up and leave the area, for days, weeks or months.

in spending a significant amount of time in Colorado to dodge these burns, i have found that the burning that takes place there is administered with a lot more care and concern for the public, better notification, and burns not getting out of control and causing catastrophic impacts, in comparison with what has gone on in New Mexico, especially since around 2005. never have i seen a burn implemented up there, or known of it, as I am on notification lists up there even when I am here, when 15 to 25 mph wind gusts are either forecasted or present, as they were this past Wednesday when 350 acres were burned with aerial ignition in the watershed, approximately 2 miles or less from my home in Santa Fe.

The impact of such smoke causes me to suffer cognitive and motor coordination failure such that I become accident prone, and have injured myself several times during burns, dropping heavy or sharp objects on my feet, and tripping and running into things. This is in spite of having a HEPA air purifier running in all the rooms of my home..

With the increasing amount of acreage proposed to be burned and the increasing frequency, with herbicide added into the mix, I may not be able to maintain any presence in Santa Fe any longer, literally being driven out of here, out of my home too frequently to maintain it any longer, and becoming homeless. If i fail to be able to leave at the right times and/or relocate away from here permanently, I may land in the hospital, due to inability to breathe and/or the results of a smoke induced accident at home or in my car..will the forest service pay my medical bills?

i am literally one of the 'canaries in the coal mine", and my problems illustrate the impact on everyone that either does occur without being acknowledged (how many people really know where their headaches and spaciness and medical problems are coming from?) or can and will occur over time as more and more people succumb physically and mentally to these impacts.

Please seriously consider all the information submitted by Dr. Ann McCampbell and others concerning the extreme toxicity of smoke/chemicals and herbicides involved in your plan, and alter the plan in favor of the survival of the forest and the people...Thank you, Peggy McCarty