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Comments: Why doesn't the Forest Service even mention the word WILDERNESS? Our forests have become more precious than any gem stones, and are becoming just as rare as pure water. Therefore, I oppose the use of chainsaws to clear trails in WILDERNESS.

Dead and dying trees should be left alone in WILDERNESS. The Forest Service should use crosscut saws - not chainsaws - to clear trails of only the fallen trees that must be removed. Wilderness visitors should be allowed to experience nature on its own terms, including any risks that entails.

The Forest Service needs to EXCLUDE ALL WILDERNESS areas from this project, including any encroachment from activity on wilderness boundaries.

Thank you from the American Taxpayer!