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Comments: As a 4th generation Californian:

I oppose using 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.

The Forest Service WILL UNDERSTAND that tree removal is logging. "Management" and "thinning" are euphemisms that fool nobody. Again, just logging. More Californians want forests left alone to do what they do best: store carbon and provide a home for wildlife. Clearcuttng and thinning encourage more and worse fires than densely forested growth.