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Comments: Dear U.S. forest Service,

I am writing to you about the proposed "Post Disturbance Hazardous Tree Management Project (#60950)".

This scoping notice is notorious for its' lack of detail. I cannot determine if the U.S. Forest Service (FS) intends to cut trees in Wilderness due to this proposal. It is not acceptable for the public to have a scoping notice that is so deficient in details.

I am opposed to any cutting in Wilderness of hazard trees using chainsaws. Except for imminent hazard trees, which are ready to fall down right now next to trails and which can only be cut by non-motorized cross-cut saws, I oppose any cutting of dead and dying trees.

Dead or dying trees should be left in Wilderness as a part of an ecological process that provide coarse woody debris via snags. Trees cut down with cross-cut saws only, should be dropped either alongside trails or if they must be dropped on trails must be cut so that trails are not blocked.

In Wilderness visitors take the risk of natural hazards since Wilderness is a place where "Nature calls the shots" and humans are visitors only.

I support the exclusion of all Wilderness areas from this project including any encroachment outside Wilderness areas but on their boundary.

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