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Comments: I strongly oppose using chainsaws to clear trails in wilderness. Dead and dying trees should be left alone. The Forest Service should use crosscut saws, not chainsaws, to clear trails of only the fallen trees that must be removed and wilderness visitors should be allowed to experience nature on its own terms, including any risks that entails. Additionally, the Forest Service needs to exclude all wilderness areas from this project, including any encroachment from activity on wilderness boundaries.