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Comments: I oppose using chainsaws to clear trails in Wilderness - it is far too brutal a method - nothing more than hacking.

Dead and dying trees should be left alone in Wilderness - they are a vital habitat and food source for many species of fauna and flora.

The Forest Service should use crosscut saws, not chainsaws, to clear trails of only the fallen trees that must be removed - and these should be minimal, as above.

Wilderness visitors should be allowed to experience nature on its own terms, including any risks that entails - the wildernesses are just that, not manicured parks. That is the beauty of them - we in Britain have not been as enlightened as you in the US - we only have parks, unfortunately.

The Forest Service needs to exclude all Wilderness areas from this project, including any encroachment from activity on wilderness boundaries.

Please preserve your wildernesses - by leaving well alone, as much as possible.