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Comments: I am concerned about management of hazardous trees in Wilderness areas. Though it takes some more effort, the value of maintaining the wilderness values (low noise levels, no power equipment, no petroleum products) of the areas with hazards is important. It not only benefits people who come to visit the wilderness, and expect it to be quiet, but the animals that live there as well. Leaving as many potentially hazardous trees as possible without endangering the public would help to reduce the amount of work that needs to be done. Selective cutting of trees that are down across a trail, or in imminent state of falling onto a trail, using only crosscut saws, axes, and other hand-powered, non-motorized equipment, would be in line with the goal of maintaining the wilderness. Thank you for considering my request!