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Comments: As a California resident and frequent visitor to federally-designated Wilderness areas in the Pacific Southwest, I urge the Forest Service to exclude all Wilderness areas from this project, including any encroachment from activity on Wilderness boundaries.

Dead and dying trees should be left alone in Wilderness. Wilderness visitors should be allowed to experience nature on its own terms, including any risks that entails.

Furthermore, I oppose using chainsaws to clear trails in Wilderness. The Forest Service should use crosscut saws, not chainsaws, to clear trails of only the fallen trees that must be removed.

Thank you for your careful consideration.