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Comments: Visitors to wilderness areas should be allowed to experience nature on its own terms, which includes risks that naturally exist. Falling trees are a natural hazard that anyone who enters a Wilderness must be willing to accept-these are not "managed" forests, gardens, or city parks.

How hard would it be for the Forest Service to post warning signs at trailheads alerting visitors to the risk, and letting visitors decide whether they want to accept the risk or hike somewhere else.

Additionally, the Forest Service should use crosscut saws, not chainsaws, to clear trails of only the fallen trees that must be removed.