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Comments: What you call "Hazard" trees are habitat and food for countless animals - insects, mammals, birds, amphibians, reptiles - many too small to see unless you are looking for them. Those are the true inhabitants of the wilderness areas we people come to enjoy in its totality.

Using heavy machinery and chainsaws not only disrupts the quiet of the wildlands but it also tramples intact soils and small living things.

Please leave those dead trees - snags, they're called - where they are. They are a vital part of the forest you have been sworn to protect.

Oh, did I mention that when they eventually fall and decay, they become food for scavengers and then become new soil.