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Re: Region 5 Post-Disturbance Hazardous Tree Management Project

The propose project to the environmental changes in the designated wilderness areas is to destroy nature and the meaning of "Wilderness". Nature has managed to deal with the constant changes Mother Nature has bestowed this earth and to destroy (butcher) the natural elements is not what we Americans want to present in all of our designated Wilderness Areas. We can address safety, particular needs for our citizens, who visit these areas, by implementing the following recommendations.

1. #60950I should oppose using chainsaws to clear trails in Wilderness. Unless needed for immediate safety of visitors as circumstances require.
2. Dead and dying trees should be left alone in Wilderness for Mother Nature's Care...as they have for millions of years.
3. The Forest Service should use crosscut saws, not chainsaws, to clear trails of only the fallen trees that must be removed.
4. Wilderness visitors should be allowed to experience nature on its own terms, including any risks that entails. Although visitor must be informed of potential and unusual conditions that they could encounter.
5. The Forest Service needs to exclude all Wilderness areas from this project, including any encroachment from activity on wilderness boundaries.
- 6 Inform all visitors of the Wildlife that live in the designated areas and to respect and their existence in their homes and environment.

I am a traveler to several National Parks, Monuments, Public Lands and public/state parks. As a Californian environmentalist and protector of wildlife and those mistreated by humans, the wilderness is special place to to visit by all Americans providing the opportunities to see real nature as nature has meant it to be. Let's not fix that which does not have to be fixed because government thinks and reasons that it must be done.