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Comments: Please Don't Log the Taylor/Carter LSR

Dear District Ranger Luis Palacios,

You will receive many emails like this, and there is a reason: post-fire clear-cut logging in otherwise protected "Late Successional Reserves" is the wrong thing to do. IMHO, removing hazard trees near roads makes sense, and utilizing prescribed fire and traditional ecological knowledge make sense. They are "right things" to do. I am adding my voice to those who oppose post-fire "salvage" logging and timber plantation establishment in the Taylor/Carter Late Successional Reserve.

Wildfire is an important part of forest ecology in the Klamath Mountains and it should not be used as an excuse to log Late Successional Reserves in remote wildlands.

The significant negative impacts of salvage logging and timber plantation establishment on wildlife, watersheds, and soils are WELL documented and known to the Forest Service.

Instead of promoting yet another controversial LSR logging project, please work with communities and stakeholders to focus post-fire restoration on removing hazard trees near roads, addressing existing timber plantations, and utilizing prescribed fire and traditional ecological knowledge.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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