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Comments: The number one priority for the Forest Service and other public land management agencies should be to reduce the dead fuel loading on landscapes burned in fires or affected by insect and disease. When the "managed fire/let burn, big box policies (currently termed POD's}} is in effect we are just building a bigger backlog of acres that are very difficult to manage in the future. These area are off the scale in terms of resistance to control factors and very dangerous for all our emergency responders. They put adjacent green forests and rural communities at risk for decades and are difficult if not impossible to burn in a prescribed manner. We now have millions of acres in this condition and need to clean it up and replant in a manner that will sustain a fire resilient condition.