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Comments: Once again, the Forest Service is attempting to circumvent the few protections the citizens have for our PUBLIC lands to benefit the timber industry. This is precisely the reason an EIS is required by law. The end of this process is fairly easy to see. You will ignore the public's interest and go ahead with this abomination,you will be sued,you will waste tax payers money defending your position, you will lose and then whine about "radical environmentalists" who block your ill-advised projects.Your job is to protect the public's resources, not be a tree farm for timber companies. Please just do your job.