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Comments: Cube Cove is self-healing from the past damages caused by logging. Forest Service's massive

"restoration" program using heavy equipment is inappropriate for the Kootznoowoo Wilderness.

The FS's plan violates the letter and spirit of the Wilderness Act, with extensive use of chainsaws, helicopters, motor vehicles, heavy equipment, tree cutting, and placement of woody debris in riparian areas.

The area should be allowed to fully recover on its own by allowing time and natural processes to heal past damage. At the least, the Forest Service needs to analyze a wilderness-compatible plan if it chooses active restoration, such as one that uses non-motorized hand tools rather than chainsaws and heavy equipment.

Reclaimed roads should not be converted to trails. If the agency does move forward with these conversions, the impacts on wildlife mus be mitigated.