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Comments: The USDA and USFS must be open to data around wildfire and its natural interaction with our forests. The USFS has ignored the best science around severe wildfire in remote forests or even forests the next valley over from communities. Forest restoration should be left to the forest, not the timber industry. Use our tax dollars to prepare communities living near wildlands - moving trees back 100 feet from buildings, educating about cement siding, ember-proof vents, metal roofs. Burnt forests will restore themselves as has been well documented. These are essential for a diverse ecosystems and will be the best response to greenhouse gases sequestration and biodiversity. Stop thinning in the name of restoration. It's just wrong.