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Re: Slater Re-Open EA #62020

Dear Forest Service,

Please accept my comments for this project. My goal is to offer alternatives that will offer protection for the forest and to continue to protect employees and public from falling trees.

This project will need considerable supervision to ensure that the necessity of the tree removal is being considered using as you mentioned slope, terrain, striking distance and the leave of live trees. Please consider whether 200 feet is necessary in all areas and be mindful that trees should be felled according to standard and guidelines for LSRs, protected wildlife sties, riparian reserves and wilderness .

My understanding is that this project is not a salvage operation for economic gain.I'm willing to pay for the cost for hazard tree removal if it saves a life of an individual but not a tree.

The ecosystem of a forest thrives on fires. Snags and trees affected by forest fires bring in insects, birds and mammals that are adapted to fire and survive on fire. Northern Spotted owls will continue to live in the forest.

All trees cut should be left on the forest floor for renewal of the forest. Trees left standing will continue to store carbon as well as trees on the forest floor will store carbon, important for the mitigation of green house gasses.

Please respect what this ecosystem has to offer and that trees are our best bet to mitigate climate change.

Thank you

Cheryl Bruner