Data Submitted (UTC 11): 11/2/2022 1:38:26 AM First name: KAREN Last name: WILLIAMS Organization: Title: Comments: > Page 22 of the EA poses the question: "Analysis-How well does the proposed action meet the need for action?" And then states that "The Land Management Plan desired conditions state that wildland fire would create a minimal detrimental impact to values at risk, and that vegetation conditions in the WUI support low-intensity fire"

Please answer the posed question in the context of fire ecologist Phil Higuera's response to the question: Can the Forest Service prevent wildfires by logging larger acreages?

Says Higuera: "That is based on the assumption that fires are occurring because there is more fuel available to burn than in the past. That's generally not what's driving this. It's the drought."

https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2017-09-11/climate-change-development-and-western-wildfires

> Explain the effects of this project on carbon sequestration, Is there "no significant impact"?

> Table 9 is misleading. Please produce a table of the total number of roads present, year by year, over the 15 yr project timeframe. Much of the time, road density may be increased. 15 years is plenty of time to create habitat fragmentation, until temp roads are "decommisioned". Twenty years ago, I decommed roads for the FS. It's misnomer. Unless you fill the road prism back to natural contour, the road is on the landscape from that time going forward.