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Comments: The GAP Project has great potential for improving forest health--and habitat needs of wildlife, especially game and non-game birds. But the proposed ten year plan falls far short of realizing those goals. Canopies need to be removed to provide early successional growth. Prescribed burns will not suffice. Just 500 acres of timber harvest? The 3200 acres per year harvest goal of the Forest Plan is patently insufficient. Why not propose at least that?

Please reconsider. Preservation of some small game and non-game species depends on better management. Continued delay could make declines of some species irretrievable. If you must choose between bold, enlightened management and the whims of enviro-extremists, do the principled thing and manage in the manner Congress and Pres. T. Roosevelt intended when the mission of USFS was mandated. I.e., balancing the various interests.