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Comments: Thank you for the opportunity to comment so early on this GAP project. On the surface, I believe the USFS in conjunction with the TNC partnership and guidance from other groups will achieve their goal of making the Forest more resilient to wildfire dangers and help restore natural range of variation as they can.

My main concern is impact to recreation, that drives many of the small businesses here in WNC. As we've seen from the NP plan revision, the USFS realizes the economic driver that helps to sustain many of our counties.

There are many partnerships that have formed great relationships with the local ranger districts over the years in the Pisgah, App & Grandfather Districts who stand eager to help make sure the trail and trail head assets are minimally impacted. Please make every effort to engage them as details of the project's actions & areas of interest are available. Of course all designated trails & trail heads should be returned to current or more sustainable as work gets done. But there are many areas with trail proposals that won't show on any designated maps and "heat" type (Strava) maps will not show equestrian use. Our volunteer groups can provide information on areas that are of high value to us, that we can help to provide funding & maintain in the future. Thank you again!