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Comments: 1- We can all see that our forests are infected and overloaded with fuels. This Basin Creek area is an immediate need, but the "tip of the iceberg." The fires are coming.

2- Yes, pursuing solutions with all due haste is necessary. I understand that the Forest Service conducted one test on a char production and found "less than great" results. Testing is all about tries and learning, so- try and try again. Find another find another possible to try. What about Carbon Based Solutions? I heard that MT Tech won National competitions just a couple years ago using their char. Contact them. Contact Tech. See where they are in regards to demonstrating their capabilities. Give them a try and a chance.

There are also other local area possible contributors to multi-use removal and disposal of the waste wood fuels. Recognize and support EVERY possible beneficial use: firewood, compost, post and pole, whatever. The rotting stuff would stay on the ground, shredded and dispersed, for soils reseeding.

3- Cheap won't be good and good won't be cheap. Get money ready to get out there for equipment, boots-on-the-ground and operations. Some roads, temporary, will have to be installed. Helicopter logging is just TERRIBLY expensive, especially for volume. Figure out your targets for removal and use and get money ready accordingly. This is an investment to protect what we have AND develop basis for future needs. Economic, business operations will take at least some of the sting out of this immediate problem. We need also to develop Green technology and build our local economy. Get together a divide-and-conquer TEAM of participants who can contribute to beneficial use and finding value in the waste problem, ANYTHING of use and value. Good won't be cheap and cheap won't be good.

I will be happy to participate and contribute support as I may be able as you proceed. Thank you.