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Comments: I am writing to oppose the road building in the Telephone Gap project. If there's one thing I've learned spending decades in forests, it's that there is no such thing as a "temporary" road. No matter how you spin it, the disruptions from road construction and use are lasting and very damaging, particularly when logging equipment is part of the mix. Asserting that over 12 miles of new roads will cause little harm and that the Forest Service will perform "basic custodial maintenance to keep damage to adjacent resources to an acceptable level" is not acceptable at all. The only way to minimize damage to a fragile forest ecosystem is to do no damage at all. The area of Telephone Gap is already crossed with plenty of roads. Keeping the logging trucks out of the area will give this wilderness a chance to succeed; carving out more roads will do far more damage than any of us can imagine.