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Comments: Please Avoid Clearcutting and Road Construction at River Complex

Dear Daniel Fenstermacher,

EFFORTS TO PREVENT SPOTTED OWLS, MARBLED MURRELETS, AND PACIFIC FISHER POPULATIONS FROM GOING EXTINCT REQUIRES THAT OLD-GROWTH FOREST HABITAT ON PUBLIC LANDS BE SET ASIDE AND PROTECTED. CURRENT FOREST SERVICE POST-FIRE LOGGING PLANS IN THE KLAMATH NATIONAL FOREST DISREGARD THAT REQUIREMENT AND PUT THE FUTURE OF AT-RISK SPECIES IN SERIOUS JEOPARDY.

I would like to add my voice to those who are concerned about the post-fire logging plans for the Taylor Creek area in the River Complex fire salvage proposal. Many of the proposed logging units near the Trinity-Alps Wilderness are located on steep slopes in a Late Successional Reserve in which clearcutting, road construction and conifer plantation establishment are inappropriate.

Instead of salvage logging backcountry wildlands in the headwaters of the Salmon River, please consider focusing project activities on roadside hazard treatments and on the Wildland Urban Interface zone for the Scott Valley.

In my opinion the Taylor Creek Late Successional Reserve is an inappropriate place for post-fire clearcut logging, new logging road construction, machine slash piling, and conifer plantation establishment.

Thank you for considering my concerns,

Sincerely,
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