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My reliable sources indicate that the Black Hills National Forest (Forest) has recently been mismanaged and that mismanagement seems to me to be as bad as the period decades ago when Aspen were being bulldozed and Oak were being sprayed.
I will speak generally as others are providing details:
Now commercial logging is much too high and the Forest already is 'Swiss - cheese - like' with roads and trails. Therefore, Alternative C seems to be closest to what is needed, but should be modified to decommission ALL roads and use uneven-aged management encouraging leaving larger trees and thinning smaller ones. Old growth habit is very important in the small ecosystem of this Forest. Also the project should avoid months of the year that would damage soils and reproducing species.
The reality that actual implementation of your projects seldom follow all standards and guidelines of the original plan has reduced the trust among We the People.