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Comments: Soon, there will be no Black Hills forest left for us to enjoy. So many beautiful, old trees being cut down and the small, gangly trees sway back and forth in the wind and with heavy snow often snap. More trees to die. While I understand that the forest should be managed what I see happening is more than 'managing'. Recently, logging was done around the area I live. It is so devastating to go out in the forest and not see any large, beautiful Ponderosa trees. The land is scarred by slash piles burned and unburned. Nothing grows in those spots after being used as a slash pile. The slash piles are a tremendous waste of wood. Loggers grabbing what they want and leaving so much behind that could be utilized somehow only left to rot. We moved to the Black Hills because of the environment here and now, slowly, it's being taken away. Project by project. I am not in favor of this project at all.