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Comments: To whom it may concern,

There are multiple reasons this Emergency Declaration is not necessary, nor an emergency. Here are just a few:

- 1. Wildfire cannot be mitigated, controlled, or diminished by logging or thinning. Controlled burning may be of use, but not logging.
- 2. We need to leave as much carbon in the ground as possible to avoid making climate change worse than it already is.
- 3. Biodiversity is already in crisis. Removing more wildlife habitat is going in the wrong direction.
- 4. Destruction of fish habitat will be harmed by this proposed project, specifically the Westslope cutthroat trout.
- 5. Removing/burning old-growth forests is unacceptable.

I hope you listen to the will of the people, not the pocketbook in making this decision. Future generations depend on our becoming better caretakers of the planet.

Thank you for permitting me to speak my mind. Anne Stanton