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Comments: *You need site specific prescriptions. Every acre to be disturbed by logging should be evaluated and trees marked for thinning according to a site specific prescription. You need to stick to the OWNF Restoration Strategy of keeping trees over 20"DBH, except in unusual circumstances and only on an individual tree basis should trees over 20" be harvested. NOT for revenue. This is a RESTORATION, not a timber grab.
*Larger trees are our legacy and important for storing carbon and ameliorating the understory from extreme solar gain. Post harvest conditions should reflect a stand dominated by larger trees that reflects the carrying capacity and composition as described by Plant Association Guides for the site, which requires site visits and assessment.
*Trees are our biggest defense against climate warming and more effort should be placed on replanting behind the recent fires within the Twisp Drainage.
*In the dry forest matrix thin prescription the targeted 20-30 trees per acre post-treatment for trees 10-21" dbh is VERY low based on available local published research. I'm particularly concerned since recent thinning up the Buttermilk drainage appears to have resulted in even lower tree densities.