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Comments: As a landowner along Wolf Creek surrounded on two sides by the Midnight Restoration Project area, we support for the project's objectives to safeguard wildlife habitat and reduce fire risk. We endorse the planned understory thinning and prescribed burning in the majority of the Wolf Creek drainage, given its potential to increase forest resilience.

However, we have concerns about the proposed matrix thin in the south of Wolf Creek, particularly its logistical execution and environmental impact due to the lack of road access. We propose an alternative treatment with stand improvement thinning similar to surrounding areas.

We advise against using mechanical equipment in high-severity burned areas from the Cedar Creek fire, instead recommending hand treatments. Furthermore, we are curious if there are plans to engage large landowners, like Sun Mountain Lodge, in fire resiliency treatments.

For the entire project, we support understory thinning followed by prescribed burning, but urge for the preservation of large trees over 20 inches in diameter. Thank you for your consideration.