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Comments: I am concerned principally about four aspects of this plan. 1) Most of the plan's justification is linked to a Forest Service plan that was published in 2005. Much has changed with the environment and forest management in the past twenty years. The Forest Service plan should be updated to ensure that it is fit for purpose. 2) The affected areas are three of the most popular recreation areas in the Sandwich Range. If the work needs to be done, it should be staggered such that the impact is spread out over time. 3) The Forest Service's capability of managing prescribed burns has proven problematic in light of what occurred in New Mexico two years ago. At the very least, this plan should provide specific assurance that Forest Service practices have been updated since that disaster. 4) I have been active in conservation matters in this area for most of my 65 years and I did not learn about this action until today - 2 days before the end of the comment period. You need to allow more time for people to comment on such an important project.