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Comments: The east side is very overgrown, hence why we had a bad fire season on the east side. Logging this area will be very beneficial to habitat and wildlife. if the area is logged the fires will be more controllable and burn cooler which doesn't sterilize the ground making it hard for things to grow and does not create excessive runoff from the soil baking and water not being able to penetrate the surface of the soil like a hot fire would. Basically, if we don't use the timber then we lose the timber as seen earlier this year. This would also give more forage for the deer and the substantially low elk population that has been in decline in northwest Montana for a long while.