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Comments: I am opposed to this timber cut for many of the same reasons that have been pointed out in other comments, but I am particularly concerned about the disruptions to both local residents and visiting trail users that will inevitably occur once the actual work of extraction begins. If the goals presented in this plan were convincing enough to prove the necessity of this work, either for economic reasons or improved management of the forest, it might be easier to bear all the disturbances, to both residents and the affected woodland, but I feel they clearly do not. In addition to this concern, I totally agree with the notion that we are currently living in very uncertain times regarding climate change. Wouldn't it be the more prudent course for the Forest Service, whose mission is to protect our public national forest lands, to practice a more passive management approach with our forests now, at least until the implications of Executive Order 14072 is better clarified from the top? Thank you,

Andrew Thompson