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Comments: I write to comment on the Forest Service plan. I have many concerns as a hiker and lover of wilderness, but my main concern is the presentation of a plan to the public that is replete with misleading and incorrect assertions. For instance, the claims about the visibility of the harvested areas from public view aren't accurate. Maddeningly incorrect. The claim that no new roads will be cut seems misleading and disingenuous also.

But the concerns I share with the viewing and hiking public aside, the impact on our collective environment is more of an issue. With climate change being an immediate threat to us all, I'm concerned that the management plan and it's scientific approach is dated and alarmingly so. President Biden has issued an executive order to have the harvesting of mature trees limited. Our governance in Washington is cumbersome and slow to react, and perhaps the Forest Service folks down there are 'dragging their feet'. But perhaps our local Ranger teams can exercise their discretion to minimize the damage to the forest. I hope so.