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Comments: Given how common fires are in California, it beggars the imagination that you feel the need to start any on purpose. Perhaps you think that a fire you initiate is one you can control, and thereby manage the forest. Here's a news flash for you. Nature has been managing forests for as long as they have existed on this planet without any help from the Forest Service. Where do you get the idea that you can do a better job than a system that has been working for four and half billion years? I'm QUITE sure there's a better use for public funds than setting fire to a national forest just to watch it burn.