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Comments: Our responsibility should be to the forests first and human habitations second.

I understand the long-term dangers you are trying to avoid, but the LONGER TERM danger is losing Wilderness to protect human development.

I'm sure you'll agree that this is UNACCEPTABLE.

The Forest Service should exclude all of the designated Wildernesses from its proposed burning plans for the Sequoia and Sierra National Forests in order to comply with the Wilderness Act. Some of America's most loved Wilderness areas are at stake, including the Ansel Adams, Dinkey Lakes, John Muir, Kaiser, Kiavah, Monarch, South Sierra, Dome Land, Jennie Lakes, and Golden Trout Wildernesses.

The agency should instead allow natural, lightning-caused fire to play its ecological role in Wilderness on the Sequoia and Sierra National Forests.