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Comments: Over the decades from childhood that I have lived in California, I have seen unending human intervention in and destruction of our beautiful natural habitat, mostly in the goal of producing profits. The drive for profits from cutting down our forests has left us a tiny fraction of our redwoods and thus has destroyed whole ecosystems. Effort at total fire prevention, to avoid loss of lumber profits, has brought us uncontrollable wildfires, not suffered by the indigenous inhabitants of California, who practiced controlled burning.

I write now to urge that another extreme human intervention be modified at least to the extent of withdrawing ALL designated Wilderness Areas in the Sierra and Sequoia forests from this extreme proposed burn plan. Natural, lightning-caused fires will do the job over time. Arrogant, short-sighted policies such as this destroy our habitat. Please hear public objections and reduce the planned destruction, at least of designated Wilderness. Our Wilderness Act MUST be respected!