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Comments: To the Forest Services:

I understand the rationale for executing controlled burns of wilderness areas. However, our most spectacular wilderness areas would be better managed by allowing lightning to do the job as it has done since the forests first began to grow. Please exclude designated wilderness areas from your proposed burning plans for the Sequoia and Sierra National Forests and comply with the Wilderness Act. I realize national forests are considered to be resources available for extraction, but designated wilderness areas don't fall into that category--places like the Ansel Adams, Dinkey Lakes, John Muir, Kaiser, Kiavah, Monarch, South Sierra, Dome Land, Jennie Lakes, and Golden Trout Wilderness lands. These are distinct and irreplaceable forests that should be allowed to evolve in response to naturally triggered fires, rather than human intervention.