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As you begin the environmental review process for this project, consider my comments:

The Forest Service must comply with the 1964 Wilderness Act and allow natural, lightning-caused fire to play its ecological role in designated Wilderness areas of the Sequoia and Sierra National Forests. An invasive, humandriven manipulation of Wilderness, cutting down "undesirable" trees and burning living forests is inconsistent with the letter and spirit of the 1964 Wilderness Act.

As stewards of the Earth, we must protect our environment and the health and safety of all who live here.

The Forest Service must exclude all designated Wilderness -- including Ansel Adams, Dinkey Lakes, John Muir, Kaiser, Kiavah, Monarch, South Sierra, Dome Land, Jennie Lakes, and Golden Trout -- from the proposed Sequoia and Sierra National Forests burning plans.