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Comments: I live in Orange County, Indiana, next to the Hoosier Natl Forest. I strongly oppose the Buffalo Springs project in the light of climate change. Leaving the forest to become old growth without human intervention is a low-cost way to become more climate resilient. The concept that ecological harvesting of trees is possible must be removed from the 12/20/23 Notice to prepare an EIS if you truly want to support old-growth woodlands. Trees fall in our woods due to the many high-wind events caused by climate change that we already experience. There is no purpose in cutting, thinning, burning or spraying pesticides in the Hoosier. Please evaluate your plans in the light of the most recent research on woodland wildlife habitats and stop the Buffalo Springs, Houston South and Uniontown North projects. Thank you.