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Comments: Forest overgrowth is apparent and the lack of management has caused severe damage to the entire ecosystem. Currently, on USFS lands, the stands contain largely five times more trees to the acre than it can sustain. Active management must be addressed in the amendment to the plan in order to eliminate the mortality rate of trees and provide for growth of a healthy sustainable forest. The FIA has recently published their findings on tree mortality exceeding growth on federal forest lands.