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Comments: Thank you for a citizen comment to the Black Hills National Forest Spruce Project. The depth of tree harvesting of over?-mature trees flies in the face of the White House request of leaving mature tree and old growth standing. The forest service has spent \$2,000,000 for Lidar counting of every tree and its size in the Black Hills National Forest. There is a national change happening as we Americans respect mature trees standing and their value with climate change. We now know these trees of a certain size/age fight fires, soak up carbon dioxide, improve water, animal habitat etc.

The times of using our beloved National Forest for coin without respect for the value of growing a healthy, natural Forest must begin. Let us arise to such a worthy goal.