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Comments: Dear Lolo National forest management,

Your management crew do a great job taking care of our local forests. I am an environmental science major and read through a major amount of the revision plan. I was shocked when I realized that the rhizosphere isn't mentioned at all. Mycorrhizae is not mentioned at all when talking about the health of the forests. Mycorrhizae is a huge component of moisture retention and overall forest health. I am constantly spending time in our forests and foraging mushrooms and identifying mushrooms. With the recent closures of local mills it seems relevant to mention more of the science of mycology in our region. The USDA ecology and management has numerous resources to conserve fungus diversity and sustain wild mushrooms for western North America. Dating back to 1996. I hope to see a bigger emphasis on mycological stance with how important it is in this region to our forests.

Sincerely,

Michael