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Comments: As a frequent visitor to our National forests, I wish to comment on the possibility that many areas might be sprayed with herbicides which are unhealthy, if not toxic, to many animals including humans. I would ask that the Forest Service refrain from this practice as even if the area is mitigated in size the effect of sprays goes beyond the area sprayed. For the health of our natural system and environment, and with so many people fighting cancer of various causes, we do not need to add anymore unnatural chemicals. When I go out into the forests to hike, I like to think that I am breathing some of the purest air there is.

I also would ask that larger trees in any habitat be saved. Those trees next to meadows will eventually fall and be recycled back into their environment. I always am amazed at these largest of trees and how long they have stood and grown and helped to capture carbon. Please reduce the pruning of these special big trees. They are a wonder!!