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Comments: My husband and I drove around the Buttermilk logged area last year and were horrified at the results. I understand the FS allowed the logging company to make many decisions on what trees to cut and FS staff were not on site regularly. I am pleased that the FS has modified its laissez faire approach with regard to logging companies thinning our national forests. I am in support of thinning and prescribed burning for the health and fire resilience of our forests. I want to reiterate how important it is to follow all of the below points in the Midnight all your thinning projects:

1. Leave clumps of trees and snags for habitat and avoid damage to leave trees
2. Minimal decision making to the logging company
3. Loggers may not increase the number of trees they cut based on anything except immediate safety to the operation AND with approval from FS personnel on site
4. FS staff need to be on site of the logging operation on a daily basis to monitor compliance, and have the authority to stop operations if non-compliance exists.

Thank you.