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Comments: I am against the Midnight Restoration Project #63933. To think that a ten-year logging project would provide more protection to an area against fire is not rational thinking. Logging has caused fires. Logging operations are not tidy projects as can be seen all around the west. This project is an excuse to take national resources for the benefit of a few local loggers and their managers. Wilderness values once removed cannot be restored. We do not understand the uniqueness of the natural ecosystems provided by nature. Only our egos think that is possible. A ten-year logging project increases the risk of fire because if approved it will provide a sure possibility of risky operations with the added possibility of lightning strikes. Logging operations do not prevent lightning strikes. They only add to the risk. The Forest Service should be spending their time and money learning about good forest management outside of our wilderness and recreational areas. Wilderness is our touchstone for the future.