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Comments: Properly thinning small diameter trees in winter months followed by regular prescribed burning is the most effective way to control fire in the landscape and maintain the resiliency of the forest. Please limit the exceptions for logging large diameter trees. These trees can withstand fire and drought and play an important role in storing carbon. Please do not allow logging on steep slopes. This is too damaging to the landscape and unnecessary. Protect large snags that become accessible to firewood collectors by further limiting firewood collection in late successions.

Please maintain and protect the habitats of the lynx and the spotted owl. These places must be marked and maintained.

All currently closed roads should be decommissioned to protect from illegal use, reduce fragmentation of the forest and sedimentation of creeks and rivers. Thank you for not building any new permanent roads.

I live in this drainage. I would appreciate focusing on restoring the fire resiliency of the forest landscape. We do not need to panic here by using simulated commercial treatments of shaded area breaks especially along ridge tops over what truly happens in our local fires. Wild fires burn at different severities depending on many different conditions. There is a big difference between a machine fireline and one done by hand. It's important to maintain the integrity and natural resistance in the landscape.

Thank you for your time.