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Comments: Broad exceptions for the cutting of large trees between 21" and 25" that have no sound ecological rationale. Large trees are already deficient on this landscape and are essential for creating a complex, resilient forest. The spotted owl and other species dependent on old growth and multi-dimensional forests will be adversely affected by these decisions.

Research shows that wind breaks in natural forests are important in fire management.

The creation of linear, unnatural and unnecessary fuel breaks.

Using the threat of catastrophic wildfire to create treatments instead of focusing on making the forest more resilient to fire across the landscape.

Logging on steep slopes