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Comments: Several times a year I leave the Seattle area and cross Rainy and Washington Passes to camp and hike in the national forests and in the Pasayten Wilderness. And I support the small businesses who rely on the integrity and beauty of their surroundings. Like others, I have breathed the sooty air resulting from forest wildfires, and I support thoughtful thinning of federal forestland. Thus, I am concerned about plans for heavy logging in the Methow Valley. I share the North Cascades Conservation Council's objection to scope of the latest "fuels reduction" plan. Please rethink the size of this project and focus on how nature will restore areas that have been thoughtfully and minimally cut.