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Comments: I live and often hike amongst our beautiful forests and see first hand the slash that exists on our forest floors. Between the Dixie fire and the recent Park Fire (Chico), in our Northern California area alone, over one and a half million acres have been devastated. Much of the landscape around us has been forever scared and sterilized from the severe heat of the fires. These are not fires that support the regrowth of new healthy forests. The destruction of wildlife is staggering. The loss of valuable timber on adjacent private lands affects the livelihoods of many citizens.

Our current methods of forest management are not working. We are losing these precious grounds that were set apart to save from reckless development. Yet here we are destroying those very same natural reserves based on poor forestry principles. It is time to re-examine our forestry practices and reduce red tape to save our public and private properties.