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as a recreational forest service user and as a conservationist I am writing to express my support the proposed action (Alternative 2) as developed by the U.S. Forest Service in the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS). The national forests are a national asset that cannot be treated as a single entity and hence an approach that recognizes the complexity and variation in circumstances within individual forests and within localities within each forest is essential. Old forest is an important aspect of the forest system but the importance of other forest age must also be recognized for the benefit of the health and well being of the forest, its plants, fish and animals. The overall forest system requires a balance of new growth, mature and old growth. It is essential that forest stewardship utilizes science to help manage the forest and maintain the forest in a manner that is beneficial to all.

Sincerely

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