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Comments: We have enough old forest on the USFS lands you were hired to manage currently. We do not need more old we need more young healthy forests! Insects and diseases now ravage the once healthy stands due to lack of management. Following the starving of the remaining mills within wooded areas of our nation the manufacturing ceases! Now the USFS is scratching their heads wondering how to get the once common mills to come back to then help manage the aging forest. Recently the USFS ran an offer of 50 million dollars across the county in grants etc. to allure industries to return, what a joke! 1 million/state that would buy you 10 wood mizer mills but would not dent the ASQ! The USFS policies wrecked the the existing supply chain to consume and manufacture the products our country needs. Your leaders pushing the anti harvest agenda had no ideal forest management options would be limited or nonexistent in time! I hope all those folks were fired! They should not be working within our profession. The USFS has had lousy policies for many years! You folks have done the lions share of wrecking the USA based timber product business across our country, The states with no markets and eventually no management are the ones where the USFS controls the fiber flow. Letting it burn instead of making houses is a wasteful model and very dangerous. You all ought to seek employment outside of the USFS and stop hiring none forestry professionals! Too many non forestry personal hired that do not know what they are doing. Plenty of examples for all to see! Simple = NO Markets = No Management. So stop claiming how good & green you all are as you burn down the forest across our country and communities where the people suffer the losses. Due to the lack of timber supplied throughout our whole country we will become greater importers of other countries/overseas lumber and the local USA mills shutter and close. This has destroyed the economic lifeblood of our towns and our country! Stop setting aside forested lands to grow to death by insects and diseases and then be consumed by fire, crappy model of we the peoples resources and needs to stop now. We have a renewable resource that benefits more if managed properly than the current process you seem to follow. Earn the pay you obtain from the people and supply the fiber to the mills to make forest products we need. Oh by the way stop contracting out the work and do it yourselves!