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The Wilderness Act has been around since 1964. To comply with the Wilderness Act, the Forest Service should exclude all designated and recommended Wildernesses from its proposed cutting and burning plans for the Sequoia and Sierra National Forests. In addition the Forest Service should also add the Moses Mountain Recommended Wilderness to the areas covered in Alternative C.

With all of the naturally occuring forest fires that we have experienced lately, it makes sense to allow natural, lightning-caused fire to play its ecological role in designated and recommended Wilderness on the Sequoia and Sierra National Forests and Moses Mountain.