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Comments: Hi, I support Alternative C, the Wilderness Exclusion Alternative.

I would like to see the Forest Service exclude all designated and recommended Wildernesses from its proposed cutting but go ahead with burning plans for the Sequoia and Sierra National Forests in order to clear over-grown areas due to past fire suppression. If cutting trees is really necessary (due to thick choked areas of overgrowth), I'm OK with that but would rather that not occur.

I would like to see the Forest Service also add the Moses Mountain Recommended Wilderness to Alternative C.

I would prefer the USFS instead allow natural, lightning-caused fire to play its ecological role in designated and recommended Wilderness on the Sequoia and Sierra National Forests. But, again, if prescribed burning helps more and can prevent a bigger catastrophic fire then that to me would be better.

Also, I would like to see the local Native American Tribes who have already been actively involved in Burn-Thinning projects be consulted and get them involved, on the ground, and possibly guiding the burning since historically they have MUCH more experience in burn-thinning and the USFS and BLM and California State Forests agencies can learn a LOT from them.

Thanks for your time and consideration on this matter.