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Comments:

I support Alternative C, the Wilderness Exclusion Alternative. 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 order to comply with the Wilderness Act.

The Forest Service should also add the Moses Mountain Recommended Wilderness to Alternative C.

The agency should instead allow natural, lightning-caused fire to play its ecological role in designated and recommended Wilderness on the Sequoia and Sierra National Forests. Natural wildfires are ecologically necessary, and human manipulation of the natural environment is ecologically harmful. While anthropogenic global warming/climate change is causing more and bigger fires, humans are not capable of properly managing natural processes. Approximately 90% of wildfires are started by humans. You should focus on stopping human-caused fires, and let natural wildfires burn.