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Comments: I support Alternative C, the Wilderness Exclusion Alternative. The Forest Service should also exclude all designated and recommended Wildernesses from its proposed cutting and burning plans for the Sequoia and Sierra National Forests in order to fully 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 normal ecological role in designated and recommended Wilderness on the Sequoia and Sierra National Forests. The Forest Service is even proposing to ignite some fires in Wilderness using helicopters and drones!

From a wilderness perspective, it is far better to allow natural, lightning-caused fire to play its fundamental role, rather than let the Forest Service invade Wilderness to cut down "undesirable" trees and burn forests based on their human wishes and other desires like proposing burning trees by drones or helicopters. I'm totally against Forest Service burning any Wilderness area because it's against the policies of the Wilderness Act.