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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 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.

I realize that fire is needed to promote new growth in these amazing forests but it must be managed to smaller controlled outbreaks.

My wife and daughter have been to this area and I have seen the pictures of what is there now and what past fires have regenerated. There have been too many near misses.