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Comments: I am writing to express my support for 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. While fire has played--and continues to play--an important ecological role in these Wildernesses, the USFS proposal represents a huge human-driven manipulation of Wilderness that is inconsistent with the letter and spirit of the 1964 Wilderness Act.

From a wilderness perspective, it is far better to allow natural, lightning-caused fire to play its role, rather than to invade Wilderness to cut down "undesirable" trees and burn forests based on human wishes and desires. The Forest Service's proposal to ignite some fires in Wilderness using helicopters and drones clearly flies in the face of this nature-aligned approach. [pun fully intended]

Please spare these iconic jewels of the National Wilderness Preservation System from these misguided and unaligned cutting and burning plans. In addition, the Moses Mountain Recommended Wilderness should be added to Alternative C.

In sum I strongly support Alternative C and encourage USFS 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 Recommended Wilderness. Thank you for the opportunity to comment!