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Comments: I understand the value of controlled burns in reducing fuel load and regenerating forests; however, I do not support this in designated wilderness areas. I believe it is wiser to allow natural fires to occur in the wilderness, and I also understand that this may present a risk of more severe fires. Please consider the following:

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.