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Comments: I commented on 8 APRIL 2024 that my small business is negatively impacted by Forest Service activity. The agency responded as if my business were only a timber / logging / extraction company. The agency does not understand that my business is legitimate and supported by goals 12, 13, and 17 of the outdated 2006 Forest Plan, therefore my concern has not been addressed.

The Plan is clearly being mis-interpreted; Goal 17 calls for supporting local economies (that's me) through resource use, production, and protection. So why are sawlogs the only resource of importance? People value quiet spaces and artistic pursuits that they find across the full range of forest landscapes, wilderness as well as roadless as well as diverse use areas. The intrusion of the agency into ecologically rare places and roadless areas with trucks and noise and legacy impacts (oil spills, invasive earthworms, exotic plants, ammunition casings) limits anyone utilizing forest lands for purposes other than logging. This is exclusion and favoritism. Mental health maintenance for local citizens and visitors is a precious resource that the agency ignores in this specific project and in the execution of multiple, simultaneous projects throughout the state. The projects are a cumulative effect negative on businesses like my own that should be covered under Goals 12 and 17 most clearly.