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Comments: The proposed prescribed burn of up to 84,000 acres within the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness (BWCAW) will violate the Wilderness Act's directive to preserve the area's wildness and wilderness characteristics; the Forest Service should instead allow natural lightning-caused fires to play their role in the BWCAW.

The draft EA totally fails to analyze whether, when, or how the Forest Service will allow natural fires to burn in the BWCAW if the proposed action proceeds.  I support Alternative 3, the alternative that calls for No Action in the Wilderness.

Thank you.