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Comments: The Forest Service's proposal to ignite fires on, and burn up to 84,000 acres within the Boundary Waters Canoe Area would be a violation of the Wilderness Act's directive to preserve the area's wildness and wilderness character . The Forest Service should allow natural lightning-caused fires to play their role in the BWCAW.

The draft EA completely 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, that calls for No Action in the Wilderness.