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Comments: I am writing in strong support of the proposed action. I spend substantial time recreating in the Snag Fire area camping, foraging, hiking and relaxing, and have rented the Third Fork Cabin numerous times. Burned tree removal will make me feel safer on the roadways and while hiking, and am very happy there will be an incidental benefit in fixing some of the roads that have gotten into pretty bad shape from erosion over the past decade or so. Certainly the reforestation and planting efforts will provide substantial public benefit, as well as stabilizing the ecosystem overall.

I am sure your staff will make a competent assessment of which trees around Third Fork Cabin need to be removed, but there are some massive Ponderosa there that I have spent hours enjoying for their shade and watching the birds flying in and out. I know generations of the public and of Forest Service workers have done the same, and the presence of the trees makes me feel connected to all those folks and to the forest. Please do your best to preserve those giants.

Thanks to the staff of the Boise National Forest for these efforts. You do an incredibly important job and help protect the places I cherish the most. Public servants are patriots--carry on the good work keeping our country going.