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Comments: A complete, scientific basis needs to be explained for the choice of 150 years as an age to determine the need to leave a tree standing, alive. Please provide a robust explanation.

Riparian habitat has still not been clearly defined in the Trinity portion of the Shasta-Trinity NF. Whenever a project is proposed, there is a discussion of the various SMZs and there are several opinions, but the personnel availability has not made it possible to map all the riparian habitat. This makes it very difficult to manage such an important resource.

The principle of LSRs and riparian reserves has made great strides in making the cool up-river portions of watersheds available for wildlife as well as drinking water.

Please select Alternative C, and modify it to include tribal inclusion and stewardship. With the predictable increases in wildfires going forward, it will be important to allow burned forests to recover naturally except for hazards close to roads.

Science should continue to be the basis going forward.