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Comments: I am commenting on the proposed Hyalite Cottonwood Hazardous Fuels Reduction Project. Having been a resident at the base of Leverich Canyon for 30 years I can attest to the destruction of the Sourdough/Leverich/Mosher area over the last 3 years. Not only having to live with 24/7 helicopter and chainsaw noise for 7 months, the carnage that has been left behind is unacceptable for this heavily used recreational area. This project is a mere 900 acres where the proposed Hyalite Cottonwood Project is 5500 acres.

I am asking that you take a hard look at the disruption that will be caused not only to wildlife but the highly used recreation. This area is one of if not the most popular areas in the Bozeman area for hikers, runners, bikers, campers and skiers. Logging this area will change the flavor of this special place we call home.