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Comments: I am submitting this comment in opposition to the project as currently proposed. While I support responsible forest and wildfire-risk reduction, the scale and pace of this plan-approximately 195,000 acres-is far too broad and risks causing more harm than benefit.

The 14-day scoping period is inadequate for communities and local governments to meaningfully review a project of this size. A longer comment window and additional public meetings are necessary for true involvement and transparency.

Significant concerns remain unaddressed, including:
* Public health impacts from prescribed fire, especially smoke and PM2.5 exposure for vulnerable residents.
* Habitat and wildlife disruptions from mechanical thinning, road work, and large-area treatments.
* Watershed and erosion risks, particularly given Pikes Peak's importance to downstream water quality.
* Lack of transparent carbon and climate analysis, which is essential for any large vegetation-removal plan.

I respectfully request that the Forest Service narrow the project, prioritize WUI-focused, phased treatments, extend the scoping period, and complete more robust environmental, cultural, and public-health analysis before moving forward.

Thank you for considering my comment.