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Comments: It is imperative that ecosystem wide forest thinning take place. I applaud the Forest Service for this undertaking. However, my support is conditional, based on the following:

1 - no living tree over 120 years old is to be harvested. Full stop.

2 - live trees under 120 years old can be harvested, with the intended leave density of 35 stems per acre. No clear-cutting.

3 - Access roads may be constructed in the project areas, but must be removed and the land rehabilitated back to a natural state.

4 - No-harvest buffers must be created along all water courses. Category 1 and 2 watercourses need a 200 foot corridor along their banks. Category 3 and 4 should have a 100 foot corridor along their banks.