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Comments: I'm writing in objection to this project and ask that it be cancelled entirely. The threat to critical ecosystems outweighs any perceived benefits of this project. In fact, this project doesn't meet the standards of "best available science" for such "fuel reduction" logging supposedly "protecting communities" or "reducing high-severity wildfire." It is critical at this point to leave forests and ecosystems intact while focusing on the 100 foot perimeter around house in order to protect communities from wildfire. Spending millions on projects like this is fiscally irresponsible. The money should instead be directed towards home hardening, solid evacuation routes and building smoke shelters.
This project would adversely affect critical habitat for Mexican Spotted Owl, Preble's meadow jumping mouse, and lynx. It would risk human health through smoke created from unnecessary pile burning and spraying of toxic herbicides.
Our national forest lands need real preservation- not costly and destructive "vegetation management."