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Comments: Our national forests belong to all of us, and how my tax money is spent managing them matters deeply to me. The proposed Akawa Butte Fire Recovery project, authorizing commercial salvage across thousands of acres of the Sisters Ranger District, is not responsible management. It looks like destruction, and I oppose it.

The scale of what is proposed here demands rigorous, site-specific environmental analysis, and none has been provided. The Treatment Acres Table shows 10,080 total acres affected, with 28,655 overlapping activity acres, yet the agency relies entirely on a national programmatic Post-Fire Recovery EA rather than conducting any project-level NEPA analysis of actual conditions on this specific landscape. No effects analysis tied to local soils, hydrology, fire severity, or species populations appears in this document. No alternatives analysis, no mitigation rationale grounded in what Akawa Butte actually looks like on the ground. The agency must prepare a project-specific EA or EIS that analyzes the real environmental consequences of this project on this real place, and I ask that the agency address this deficit directly on the record.

The soil impacts compound that concern. PDC H-10a states, "The cumulative detrimental effects from project implementation and restoration must, at a minimum, not exceed the conditions prior to the planned activity and should move toward a net improvement in soil quality." The project authorizes landings at a rate of one per 10 to 15 acres, averaging one-half acre each, across 4,928 harvest acres. That is a significant concentrated disturbance footprint. Yet no pre-activity detrimental soil condition baseline appears in the document, no cumulative soil impact calculation, and no demonstration that the required productivity thresholds will actually be met. The agency should provide a site-specific soils analysis showing how those standards will be satisfied given the combined footprint of landings, skid trails, and temporary roads.

Not allowing the destruction of this land is what responsible management looks like to me. I want the Forest Service to account for these gaps before any authorized activity proceeds.