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Comments: Comments on Desired Conditions:

Cut livestock grazing numbers (AUM's; grazing allotments) by 50%, at minimum.

Forests are not orchards, therefore they should not be managed as evenly-aged and evenly-spaced tree farms as is observed in parts of the Manzano mountains where there has been pre-marked trees for fuel wood cutting to benefit the locals.

Healthy forests need diversity in structure, age-class, tree sizes and ages, mosaic distributions of vegetation, tree clusters, balances of shade and sun for proper understory establishment, growth, and survival.

Ecosystem utility/function is key to the future of forests, wildlife, and general biodiversity.

Dead-and-downed fuel loads in WUI areas should be cut in half to 1-5 tons of material per acre in the WUI areas, not up to 10-tons/acre.

Field site visits are necessary to truly capture the intent of a desired condition in a forest setting. Simply reading about it is not adequate for the general forest user to fully comprehend a desired condition, or a healthy forest.