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Comments:
Santa Fe Mountains Landscape Resiliency Project

Dear Ms. Overton,

I am a resident of the city of Santa Fe and have owned a home here for thirty years. I have toured the sites of the Cerro Grande and Las Conchas fires and I understand the concern about fires in the national forests.

I request that the Forest Service provide an Environmental Impact Statement prior to executing the plans for managing the 50,000 acres in the Santa Fe National Forest.

The public has been insufficiently included in the planning stages. This is evidenced by and the result of the poorly distributed notice of the comment period.

The forest serves to moderate our weather and to enhance growth and biodiversity in the area in many ways. The project as outlined does not appear to respect many of these traditional values.

Please keep me informed of progress on the project and on the request (which I know is supported by many) to prepare an EIS prior to advancing the work.

Thank you for your attention,
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Comment Period for Santa Fe Mountains Project Scoping Extended to July 17
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Santa Fe, NM - July 12, 2019 - The Santa Fe National Forest (SFNF) has extended the scoping period for the Santa Fe Mountains Landscape Resiliency (SFMLR) project until Wednesday, July 17, 2019, because of a technical issue with the comment submission inbox that may have made some comments undeliverable. The 30-day comment period was scheduled to end July 10.

"Comments received during the scoping period literally help us determine the scope of the entire project," SFNF Supervisor James Melonas said. "On a project of this importance, we want to make sure that every comment is received and becomes part of the project record."

The SFMLR project is designed to restore forest and watershed health and reduce the risk of catastrophic wildfire across approximately 50,000 acres of the SFNF in the Sangre de Cristo Mountains. The project is part of a larger multi-partner collaborative, the Greater Santa Fe Fireshed Coalition, that was created to proactively address the risk of high-severity wildfire and post-fire flooding and debris flow in and around Santa Fe.

To submit a scoping comment by email, send an email to comments-southwestern-santafe@fs.fed.us with "Santa Fe Mountains Landscape Resiliency Project" in the subject line. If attaching a document, please use .doc, .txt, .pdf, or .rtf formats only. Written comments can also be submitted by mail or in person at the SFNF headquarters in Santa Fe. Additional information on the project and instructions on submitting comments can be found on the project webpage.