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Thank you for allowing public comment on the Scoping Document for the Santa Fe Mountains Landscape Resiliency Project, #55088.

This project will impact all the citizens of the Santa Fe area, not to mention the flora and fauna and their habitats in significant and harmful ways. A thorough, site-specific analysis of all environmental impacts via an Environmental Impact Statement is required.

The Forest Service should analyze alternatives to the agency's proposal, including those submitted by Wild Earth Guardians and others. Furthermore, the Forest Service should consider the best available science, especially as relates to climate change. We all know climate change intensifies the adverse impacts associated with tree thinning and prescribed burning. This project #55088 should be studied in the context of all related projects (past/present/near future) to understand the cumulative and additive effects of its actions.

I personally relocated to Santa Fe from the Philadelphia area over a decade ago because of the better air quality in NM, but now I find the ongoing "prescribed burns" create a very unhealthy situation for me because of respiratory health issues. And I know I am not alone in this regard -- children, the elderly, and residents with asthma, COPD, MCS, emphysema, and heart disease are made more ill by the smoke from the burns and the chemicals used in the ignitions.

Please consider a full assessment before creating more harm. The ecosystem of which we are a part is beautiful and fragile and deserves to be treated with great care.

Thank you for your consideration.