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Dear Supervisor and Fireshed Coordinator

I am a citizen of the United States and thus an owner of our public lands. I have a special connection to the forest and public lands surrounding Santa Fe. I lived in Santa Fe in the mid-eighties so I am familiar with the majestic beauty of its surroundings.

I am writing in support of the Santa Fe Conservation Alternative for the Santa Fe Mountains Landscape Resiliency Project (SFMLRP). It was created by a number of environmental groups and their well-informed scientists. It does the most to protect our lands and protect local landowners. I urge you to follow their recommendations to the letter. Please protect the wild places that we have left. They are essential to carbon sequestration, clean water, clean air, and majestic beauty.

Make a stand and change the paradigm. It is time to protect our forests rather than get the cut out. It is time to pay attention to fire science that questions the efficacy of commercial thinning and fire.

I hope that you make the Santa Fe Conservation Alternative the preferred alternative for the Santa Fe Mountains Landscape Resiliency Project.

Thank you for your time.

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