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Dear Mr. Melonas:

First, let me thank you and all of the forest service for all of your efforts to preserve and care for our National Forest. Many, who you may never know, benefit greatly from your efforts.

I write this in regard to the proposed actions to preserve the forest including tree cutting and burning. I appreciate that there is no exact right answer and no matter how much time and effort is spent, there is always a good chance we cannot outsmart Mother Nature. Regardless, we must try. All can agree on this, however; unfortunately, there remains disagreement about the means to address the issues.

It appears many local groups are becoming very vocal about these issues. My inbox is flooded and it is all the talk around town. Although they each have their viewpoint and support for same, the majority seem to be satisfied with an Environmental Impact Statement. Considering the numbers of people affected by the decisions made, it seems a most reasonable request. Apparently there are lesser studies but the Environmental Impact Statement is what is needed for the majority of the community to be reassured that the fire prevention actions achieve the best likelihood of success. In an effort to bring the community together over these issues, I humbly request your time and consideration to this request.