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Santa Fe Mountains Landscape Resiliency Project

Mr. James Melonas
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Dear Mr. Melonas,

I write to ask you to protect the forests above Santa Fe by preparing an Environmental Impact Statement that acknowledges the significant cumulative impacts and scientific controversy of extensive clearing and burning over many decades.

We need our forests, and I ask that you find other ways to manage the build-up of fuels that has occurred from decades of Forest Service fire suppression. I've seen the destruction of many prescribed burns that have gotten out of control here in northern New Mexico; we don't need more of these.

We need to save the roadless forests above Santa Fe in order to protect our watersheds, our clean air, the opportunities for outdoor recreation that support local economies, wildlife habitat, and the climate-stabilizing work of trees.

As generations of native New Mexicans have said, "Sin pinos, no hay agua."

Please provide more detail and extend the comment period to 90 days.

Thank you,
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