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I'm writing to register my concerns about this project--or, more aptly, this open-ended attempt to take impactful future actions on our public lands without the site specific involvement of the public! I find the implications of this so called 'condition based management' extremely problematic. How can we possibly offer specific comments if we're not offered specific plans to comment on? My faith in public involvement being respected 'down the road' without the benefit of NEPA is absent.

I'm also disappointed, as usual, to see that this is largely another even aged shelterwood prescription, when there are silvicultural methods that could enhance the rate of developing old growth characteristics in our national forest--functionally old forests being extremely underrepresented in the Boone.

I'm always interested in the potential of stream restoration, and encourage the Forest Service to invest in such...but without any specific information, how can I be confident that it will be a priority?

You reference prescribed fire, but don't actually include it as a Proposed Action...what do I make of this? And though there was great interest in recreation in the public planning process, it's certainly not reflected here.

These are our public lands, and often members of the public have relationships with specific areas that can help inform appropriate land management decisions. But that happens through NEPA, and this attempt to circumvent the process could have deeply unfortunate results. I'm well aware that the Forest Service here is under pressure to increase the rate and scale of logging, and this strikes me as attempt to do so with minimal public pushback. Not okay.