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Dear US Forest Service,

I'm writing to strongly object to the Encino Vista project. Logging the forest under the guise of health and resiliency is a tactic that has been by the timber and biomass industries for many years. Clearing the forest and opening the canopy will only result in hotter, drier conditions that will devastate wildlife and increase the threat of wildfire.

Your own document indicates that this area is a hidden gem, but millions of people from across the country enjoy it every year. The Encino Vista project as written now would irreparably harm one of the last in-tact mature forests in all of New Mexico, as well as economic opportunities for hundreds of local outdoor businesses and the enjoyment of locals and visitors alike.. New Mexico depends on a vibrant tourist economy, and this project would make Santa Fe a less attractive destination and hurt the local economy.

Please rescind this proposal, and note that my comment was submitted in a timely manner.

Thank You,

Abby Cunningham

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