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Dear Mr. Robbins,

As part of the official record of Public Comment regarding Okanogan County's EIS Scoping project for the Comprehensive Plan, please include my comments listed below:

The EIS must:

1. Analyze which proposed Alternative in the Draft Comp Plan offers the best possibility of good escape routes in case of wildfire and the lowest rate of spread toward homes.
2. Compare the Alternatives regarding least negative impact upon the state's largest migratory deer herd and other migrating species, such as fish.
3. Explain which Alternative best discourages home building in areas of increased risk to firefighters.
4. Analyze which Alternative could best assure that affordable and necessary services could be delivered to new homes in case of unexpected population growth.
5. Analyze support for government planning to reduce health risks - such as breathing year-round woodsmoke or contamination of drinking water from nearby septic systems.
6. Use the most recent and Best Available Science in analyzing future impacts of this Comprehensive Plan regarding all issues such as fire, water, economy, transportation, and wildlife.

Sincerely,

Kathleen Ann Hirschstein

