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**Subject:** Habitat clearance plan

Please revise the Draft Environmental Impact Report for this proposed program for clearing chaparral habitat.

The current DIR fails to meet the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). It also fails to address the most effective ways to protect lives and property from wildfire.

There are several specific problems in this document:

- 1) Environmental impacts of clearance operations are dismissed without support
- 2) Clearance of northern chaparral is justified by logical fallacies
- 3) Research of several scientists continues to be misrepresented (despite corrections being submitted)
- 4) Lack of transparency concerning public involvement and notification regarding clearance projects remains a significant issue

There are a significant number of inconsistencies as the document initially references current science to only qualify or ignore it later in order to support the Program's objectives. Undefined terms and legally inadequate mitigation processes are other problems.

Please revise this document.

Thank you,  
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