

# Safety First: Danger Trees



Standing **dead and fire-weakened danger trees** along roads can fall unpredictably, causing **injury or death** to people and damage to property or infrastructure.

The Forest Service has a responsibility to either **mitigate these danger trees** along forest roads or **close fire-impacted roads** to all entry.



Indefinite road closures impacts local communities, utility companies, tourism economies, and private landowners.

**Danger tree removal** along roads provides **improved safety and access** for:



Wildfire suppression



Forest visitors & employees



Commercial uses & outfitter guides



Restoration & recovery projects



Partner agencies



Emergency responders

Mitigation is **targeted along roads** where danger trees **pose a safety risk** to people, property, and/or infrastructure. The **vast majority of forestland** inside fire-impacted areas receives **no danger tree removal**.