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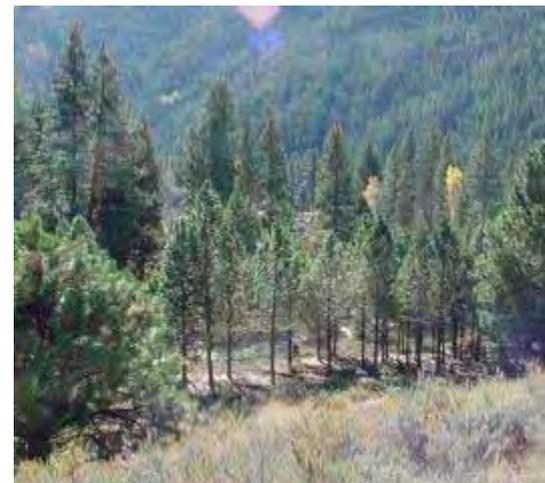
## § 219.9 Diversity of Plant and Animal Communities

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# Coarse-Filter Approach



- Ecosystems are defined by their
  - ⊗ Composition
  - ⊗ Structure
  - ⊗ Function
  - ⊗ Connection of Habitats
- Maintain or restore healthy, resilient aquatic or terrestrial ecosystems
  - ⊗ Native species and communities evolved in ecosystem contexts
  - ⊗ Climate change and other stressors could affect many species



# Fine-Filter (Species) Approach



Contribute to  
Recovery of  
T&E Species



# Fine-Filter (Species) Approach



Conserve  
Candidate  
Species



# Fine-Filter (Species) Approach



Viabile  
Populations of  
Species of  
Conservation  
Concern



# Focal Species



# Example



## Coarse Filter



# Example



## Fine Filter



# Example



## Authority



# Example



## Inherent Capability



# Q&A



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# Process and Content Requirements



# Next Steps



- Comment Period is open until May 16, 2011
- The Forest Service will revise the rule based on comments in the record
- The Forest Service will begin to draft directives for implementation of the rule
- The Final Rule will be released in late 2011