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Teacher Sheet: Forest Habitat Assessment

✓ Fledglings

Using the information on the previous page answer the following questions.

1. Which habitat aspect did you find the most of? Why do you think this is the case?

The aspect I found the most of were fallen logs and tall pine trees. The fallen logs looked like they had been left there which is a good sign.

2. How many snags did you come across during your observation? Why are they important to this type of habitat?

I came across three snags. Snags are an important aspect to mixed conifer forest habitat because they provide essential habitat to many living things like birds.

3. Did you find any forest edge habitat? If so, how open was the edge habitat?

I couldn't find any forest edge habitat. The only partially open areas were campgrounds.

4. Was there any post-fire evidence around? What evidence did you observe?

There were some signs of post-fire. I saw fallen logs that had been charred and some of the snags had been blackened at the base.

5. Given your assessment results, do you feel that this mixed conifer forest habitat is healthy or do you think it needs more management? Why?

I think that it is fairly healthy, however, there were definitely signs that more management was needed around the lake and it is a heavy use area for the public.