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Protecting mature and old growth forests across the Blue Mountains is one of the best steps we can take to mitigate the affects of climate change. These public forestlands clean our air, provide clean water for our families and communities, and act as a critical wildlife corridor connecting the Rocky Mountains to the Cascades and beyond.

As you revise the management plans for these three National Forests, please create clear and enforceable standards to protect:

- mature and old forests
- · riparian habitats and water quality · unroaded lands, and
- · landscape scale habitat connectivity

Sincerely,

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