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Comments: There are so little old growth and mature forests left in the U.S. and yet these lands are so important for climate resilience, clean air, clean water, and a last resort habitat for many plants and animals. Why are we not protecting these areas? We should not be removing them like some third world country. I want the U.S. Forest Service to use science to manage these lands for future generational use. I would like to see plans that are blueprints for land managers to implement, not open to interpretation. These lands belong to all Americans, not corporations and hedge funds. Isn[rsquo]t it time to implement changes that are relevant to the current climate predicament we are in?

Attachment Forest Plans Comment - Is the letter text added above.