Data Submitted (UTC 11): 1/19/2024 5:00:00 AM First name: Devin Last name: Field Organization: Title: Comments: Dear Forest Service Supervisors,

The evidence of extreme climate change accelerating in the last three years is overwhelming, and widely accepted globally amongst 99% of actual climate scientists. The three charts attached showing historic global average temperatures for the last 2000 years, the temperatures since pre-industrial years (1890), and the exponential rise in the earth's absorption of solar radiation (with data sources shown), are just three of hundreds of examples that show clear and indisputable evidence of human caused change. This change is rapidly causing devastating loss of biodiversity, loss of arable land, water shortages, mass migrations, extreme weather events and will ultimately threaten the viability of human survival as a whole. This is not an exaggeration, this is well documented. Six of the 9 planetary thresholds have already been exceeded. Science now shows that large, old forests far surpass younger, newer plantings of forests in CO2 absorption and sequestration. Less than 3% of the old growth forests remain in the United States; these old growth and mature trees MUST be excluded from future harvest. Myriad functions are performed by the old growth forests beyond carbon sequestration, that simply cannot be performed by second and third growth forests. Please take a moment to study the attached charts, and support the legislation needed to save what little old growth remains for our children and the health of humanity as a whole.

Thank you for your serious consideration and responsible diligence.

Attachment: 2000yr_changes.png - Image of observed changes in climate over last 2022 years.

Attachment: post_industrial_changes.jpeg - Image of chart depicting changes in global temperature.

Attachment: 20yr_radiation.png - Image of chart depicting changes in globally absorbed solar radiation since 2000.