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Comments: Hello,

Please accept this comment regarding the REPLANT ACT for consideration.

I live in The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. The name literally means "Penn's woods" and yet my home has very little of its original old growth forests due to logging and development activities. My state will never see forests and trees such as the American Chestnut and others again. This is a true loss not only for the ecosystem but for all of us who benefit from mature trees.

I urge USDA to protect all old growth forests from cutting, logging, and development. Full stop. These trees are essential to combatting climate change, sequestering carbon, staving off wildfires and preserving our ecosystems.

Pennsylvania's forest are irrevocably damaged but we can still ensure that old growth forests

Elsewhere thrive. Please consider protecting mature forests made vulnerable by the REPLANT ACT.

Thank you,

Cassandra Miller

Attachment: Photos of old growth