Data Submitted (UTC 11): 9/20/2024 4:00:00 AM First name: TR Last name: Walch Organization: Title: Comments: A reasonable alternative has not been provided (no option that includes the protection of mature and old growth forests).

More carbon is released with thinning (fuels management) than allowing forests to burn in their natural cycle. Additionally, important habitat is drastically changed with vegetation reduction directly and through storm water runoff.

Simply allow mature and old-growth forests flourish with no intervention.

ATTACHED: A PDF with a graph said to depict CO2 impact from forest thinning.