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Comments: My comments are based on 50 years of education and experience working in the Pacific Northwest Forests. Specific Historical and Environmental Knowledge pertaining to the Oregon Coast Range and the Siuslaw National Forest where my home is located. This remnant of the once vast Ancient Coastal Forest should be protected completely from human intervention as the **LARGEST CARBON STORAGE ECOSYSTEM ON LAND IN THE WORLD**. The present management that allows the removal of trees in previously clearcut harvest areas is a recipe for disaster, in this unique Temperate Rainforest, because by opening the canopy the forest floor dries and becomes a **WILDFIRE** that destroys the entire Forest. The Siuslaw National Forest provides clean water to every community around it and Quality Habitat for numerous Endangered and Threatened species. It is the only remaining old forest in the Coast Range because the majority is owned by Private Equity firms which do not grow trees older than 40 years. The BLM did manage some older remaining forest areas but have rapidly cut them over the last 30 years. The Preferred Alternative B is a gift to the Corporations that want to profit from this priceless irreplaceable resource and care nothing about the surrounding communities or the **BURNING PLANET**. The Science is **CLEAR** and completely ignored by the Predatory Capitalists who have been appointed to high levels in the US government to **STEAL THE RESOURCES NEEDED FOR THE SURVIVAL OF FUTURE GENERATIONS OF AMERICANS** for short term profit! The **TREES** on the **PUBLIC LANDS** of the Siuslaw National Forest must all be left to grow and continue to remove billions of tons of Carbon from the atmosphere because **ALL LIFE ON EARTH DEPENDS ON IT** and it is the **BEST FOREST LEFT ON EARTH TO DO THAT!** Thank you for the opportunity to Enlighten You.

ATTACHMENT-OTHER: Carbon Sequestration Story V.Final.docx; A written history of timber industry with a conclusion that we could purchase land to improve things with proper funding.

ATTACJMENT-FIGURE/IMAGE: Extreme Thinning 1.jpeg; Photograph of slash pile with trees in background

ATTACJMENT-FIGURE/IMAGE: Extreme Thinning 2.jpeg; Photograph of slash pile with trees in background

ATTACHMENT-FIGURE/IMAGE: Sitka Spruce.jpg; Photograph of conifer tree from beneath, looking up