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Comments: Thank you for your consideration in regards to "Roadless Area Conservation." Clearly, this proposal has opened up a variety of opinions in favor and in opposition. I am an old native american woman, who grew up in Los Angeles, and but moved to Northern California in the 70's. I moved to get away from the smog and increasing rapid population growth. My father also from LA grew up in Topanga Canyon, and spent his life devoted to preserving our forests, working for the US Forestry for well over 50 yrs. I am opposed to opening up old growth areas by implementation of this policy. Old growth trees provide invaluable, and irreplaceable assistance to our modern world. They offer a life support system to our finite populations of wildlife, soil, water, air and human life. In this era when we are facing the most devastating prospects of climate change, when forests (worldwide) are burning like never before in recent times, and when fragile ecosystems are dying, it is irresponsible to monetize the very things which provide our greatest hope for future generations. Please re-assess your reasons for approaching "conservation" with such destructive methods. Please conserve our "old growth" and oldest surviving ecosystems for our children. Thank you.

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