First name: Mark M Last name: Giese Organization: Title: Comments: Measurable, quantitative standards are important. The agency should consider alternatives that reduce logging from current levels. There are environmental problems with increases in logging levels. The Forest Service should consider the citizen-science alternative. The Forest Service needs to recognize the human factors causing global warming and how the Forest Service will contribute to warming with every one of the increased logging alternatives. Trees can capture and store carbon dioxide, reducing carbon dioxide in the atmosphere-it is called carbon sequestration. Pacific Northwest Forests can sequester more carbon than other forests in the West. The Forest Service should consider a reduction in logging in these forests to mitigate the impacts of global warming in the Pacific Northwest. The forest plan should address grizzly recovery and the habitat needs that entails. Please recognize the need for quantifiable fishery standards that will prevent degradation of salmon and steelhead habitat and keeping buffers between streams and logging at 300 feet. The Forest Service should consider an alternative that recommends all roadless areas for Congress to designate as wilderness. The revised forest plan should KEEP management areas that are specifically managed with the goal of preserving old growth (which means they are protected from logging). The forest plan should have more than three management areas.

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Thank you.