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Comments: The Mt Baker- Snoqualmie national forest is an ecosystem essential to the very real fight against climate change for Pacific Northwest communities and the world. A tree removal of this size will have negative impacts on the overall environment as well as the many interconnecting ecosystems within it. In order for the Forest Service to fully assess how this proposal will affect the surrounding ecosystems, an Environmental Impact Statement must be completed before any plans are made to go further on this project. Removing habitat in this area would be detrimental to native species, would greatly reduce carbon sequestration via trees for many years come, and would increase the risk of landslides in this area. Logging roads do not help the situation either as they increase soil compaction, invade natural habitat, and create a haven for littering and polluting by humans. As a Citizen of Bellingham and a advocate for nature I think that this project should not be passed due to the forest's importance for carbon sequestration, native species, and overall health and well-being of this region. When we begin to let these things happen in our backyard we begin to lose all the beauty and life that was once there. I for one do not want to see that happen.