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Comments: It is critically important that we protect any intact and functioning habitat in the Nooksack watershed given the pressures from development and climate change our region is facing. Thus, I am concerned about this much timber harvesting in our area! Please be sure to expand on these key points as you develop this plan:

- 1) Slope stability on any steep areas slated for logging
- 2) Ratio of clear cuts to thinning/regeneration area. We need to minimize clear cutting practices.
- 3) Harvesting and log yarding must minimize environmental damage, especially in riparian areas.
- 4) Replanting must be done to mimic historic and environmentally appropriate species, not to plant more commercially valuable wood.

Thank you