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Comments: U.S. National Forest Service,

I abhor the proposed North Fork Nooksack Vegetation Management Project #58218 and urge it to be defeated.

The intrinsic magnificence of the forest trees, including their critical necessity for the complex health of their ecosystem, and their invaluable carbon-sequestering and soil health functions, makes the proposed huge amount of logging of these trees unconscionable, outrageous, short-sighted and absolutely wrong. Instead, the Forest Service must prioritize to allow the timber of this proposal's area to mature into a natural life cycle, for the health and well-being of the entire natural area, as well as that of human communities. Protect this area through conserving it. Do not approve this proposal for so much of its destruction. Do not create new logging roads; instead, close decaying, unneeded roads in this proposed area. Ensure that first of all, an Environmental Impact Statement is completed.

I live relatively near this magnificent area and so value it. I urge you again to defeat this proposal. Thank you.