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Comments: I am writing as I am very concerned about the proposed logging along the North Fork Nooksack River and its tributaries. Because of the large scale of the proposed project and the enormous negative repercussions it would have at so many levels, it is imperative that an EIS must first be completed. The Forest Service needs to consider the impact on our local communities that are happening due to climate change, and how these forests contribute to mitigating those negative changes.

Our National Forests must be allowed to continue to mature to absorb carbon, clean water, create habitat for sensitive wildlife, and for recreation for those of us who live here and want to responsibly enjoy our forests.

Additionally, new logging roads, so-called "temporary roads," act as vectors for invasive weeds, human-caused abuses including fires, and also disturb wildlife habitat. The Forest Service should close unneeded decaying roads instead.