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Comments: I have looked at the proposal to clearcut vast stretches of the North Fork Nooksack forest, and I can only conclude that greed has overwhelmed sense. There is no way that such a large amount of clearcutting, plus further so-called "thinning" would ever "improve" a forest. All it will do is enrich the pockets of private logging companies at the public's expense, with wildlife paying the biggest price. Your charge is to safely manage our public national forests, not sell them off while you destroy wildlife habitat, add to our climate problems, and deprive generations of citizens the benefits of a true, sustainable forest. If anybody on your staff has even a grain of scientific integrity, this attempt to rob the public and ruin thousands of acres of forest will not be allowed. Please come to your senses about the nature of your public responsibility to the citizenry of our nation, to longterm maintenance of a viable forest, and to the wildlife in your care. Sincerely, Constance Sidles