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Comments: This part of the Mount Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest is one of the key reasons I moved to this area 12 years ago. The pristine forests provide important hiking and snow shoeing recreational opportunities unmatched in much of the rest of the United States.

- While I understand that at times forests should be thinned to reduce the chance of wildfire, my understanding is that the amount of logging being proposed is unprecedented. An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) must be completed before any decision is made.

- No new logging roads should be constructed since they fragment wildlife habitat.

- And our National Forest is a key component of our important battle to minimize climate change. Carbon sequestration is a critical weapon in this fight and much more important than more logging.

Thank you for considering my comments and studying this proposal further before any decision is made.