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Comments: I am a community member in Whatcom county who enjoys this area because of the diligence of organizations trying to undo many years of degradation to the forests and waterways that shape this beautiful landscape.

I urge you to conduct an EIS and avoid resorting to Alternative 1. Clear cutting forests is the fastest way to continue working against the salmon, the Nooksack people, and all the micro and macro organisms that call this area home. Do not make the same mistakes we continue to make because of profit or ease. Choose the alternative that will work harder at restoring our forests in the long term and provide a new pathway for our next generation to live into. Clear cutting does not have to be and should no longer be an option of forest management.