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Comments: Hi - my view is that that Mount Baker Ranger District should advance selective thinning rather than clearcutting to meet its ecological goals and responsibilities. Clearcut-plantation forestry degrades water quality and destroys salmon habitat by increasing the rate of erosion and landslides. Clearcutting makes water move faster through the hydrologic system, which means there is too much water in the winters and too little water in the summers. Clearcutting also highly damages the ecosystem of the area being logged.

Of course, we need to log trees to support our ways of life. But lets do it in conscious and conscionable and sustainable ways.

Thank you, Ed Wayt