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To USDA Forest Dept.

I have been an Oregon resident for 50+ years, we had some of the best harvest and forest management in the country. Then the State and Federal government fell prey to the fools who think that forests should be left untouched. The result was the largest and most expensive set of fires in Oregon history, with loss of life as well. When will everyone understand that the forests need to be actively managed, to avoid these out of control fires.

If we are going to live and work in woodlands, they need to be managed, we are allowing the forest growth to rage out of control. The revenue for the state and counties could be huge with no loss of forest areas with proper management. This would include active thinning, clear cuts, logging contracts, and real road access. The logging contracts allowed for roads to be built for access, but were left to be overgrown and no longer workable.

It is time to get Oregon back to work in our forests, we could be a lumber powerhouse with huge economic growth for the state and counties. So YES, I support all forest management, road access, tree thinning, logging contracts for revenue, clear cuts where needed. Let's get Oregon back in the forest business.

Sincerely,

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