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Comments: Characteristics to use for defining mature and old growth forests that I support include; age, carbon storage power (nearly as high after a fire as before it for older growth trees according to recent studies), protection of wildlife, protection of biodiversity, clean water protection, protection of water sources from drought, protection against flooding, erosion and landslides; and resistance to fire.