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Comments: Thank you for taking the steps to protect our remaining mature and old-growth forests and trees on federal lands, as ordered by President Biden. It's one of the simplest and most cost-effective climate policies the U.S. can deploy at scale. But time is running short: the climate and biodiversity crises are growing exponentially worse and it is critical that you fulfill the President's directive to provide lasting protections for these trees.

If the Biden administration is to do all it can &mdash; and must &mdash; to limit atmospheric carbon levels, and demonstrate international leadership, these protections must be made through binding regulations that will endure in future administrations.