Data Submitted (UTC 11): 7/22/2022 12:00:00 AM

First name: Anne Hastings

Last name: Murray Organization:

Title:

Comments: I strongly endorse the initiative to save mature and old growth trees. We are in a global crisis and the United States is not effectively addressing the dangers to us all.

I live on the Olympic Peninsula in Washington State, where we are fortunate to have many mature and old growth trees. A relative visiting recently commented repeatedly how fresh the air is here. Several factors contribute to that, including the presence of many trees clearing pollutants and carbon dioxide from the air. Every mature tree harvested releases additional carbon dioxide in the air. Let's stop that while we can.