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Comments: I am a member of the Old Growth Forest Network, and an advocate for the preservation of Old Growth Forests, for their critical role in sequestering carbon, and for their greater ecological purpose in maintaining the health and viability of the planet's biological network. I implore you to fulfill President Biden's Executive Order on Strengthening the Nation's Forests, Communities, and Local Economies, by defining mature trees as those over 80 years old, and by creating binding regulations to eliminate harvesting of mature trees in our National Forests. Please initiate a rulemaking based on the definition of mature forests and trees over 80 years old, to permanently end the avoidable loss of their critically important carbon, water and wildlife values. Thank you.