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Comments: Old-growth cannot be managed, created, or enhanced by humans. But it can be protected.

The defining features of old-growth landscapes are centuries-long patterns of disturbances (including insects, disease, and wildfire) without human management. The only way to ensure its survival is to leave it alone, beyond the reach of chainsaws, bulldozers, and agency shell games.

I strongly encourage you to follow the link below and tell the Forest Service what really needs to happen: stop all old-growth logging on all public lands, and identify old-growth landscapes (not just individual old trees) which are critical for storing carbon, cleaning waterways, and supporting native species.