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Comments: Old growth forests are the living heritage of America and should be protected based not only on their beauty, size, and age but in their ability to conserve the native ecosystems however close to urban development they may be. Regardless of large sweeping miles of forests or simple groves 4 city blocks wide these forests should absolutely have protection from future development whenever possible.

Thank you for opening up this order to public opinion. The number of letters you read may pale in comparison to the total population of the country but the collective affection for old growth forests is something that is instinctual to any American.