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Preservation of mature and old growth forests is a vital part of conservation of resources in our United States. These forests have multiple values: recreation, wildlife habitat, soil protection. Critical to our survival today is the fact that these forests are among the best absorbers of carbon dioxide on the planet.

Who would benefit from the destruction of these forests? The interests of a few logging companies. Are jobs at stake? Many more jobs will be kept, and gained, if these forests are preserved.

New and regrowth forests serve none of these critical functions as well as old and mature forests.

Thank you for your attention to this important national issue.

Yours Truly, Arno Vosk, MD