

Data Submitted (UTC 11): 8/26/2022 7:32:26 PM

First name: Devin

Last name: Headrick

Organization: The Ohio State University Sierra Student Coalition

Title: President

Comments: As both a student studying environmental science and the leader of a student organization dedicated to exploring, enjoying, and protecting the natural world, Executive Order 14072 holds a special significance to me. Old growth forests simply must be inventoried and protected to the greatest feasible scale as soon as possible. There are few environments in existence that offer the biodiversity, history, and overall majesty of old growth forests, whose value to the ecosystem as well as to the soul is forever greater than the value of their timber or the land they occupy. With that being said, my organization and I would like to call attention to the piñon-juniper old growth forests of Utah and call for their prompt and complete protection. Although far from us geographically, these forests are prime examples of the natural wonders that have long united Americans, and therefore deserve national support for their immediate protection.