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Comments: Preserving old growth forests is a vital hedge against climate change because old growth trees sequester very large amounts of carbon. We also need to stop clearcutting trees so that they and their saplings can become old growth forests. Old growth forests are also home to native plants and vast fungal networks. Loggers of course find old growth forests easiest to log. But the cost is too high. According to Robert Leverett, old growth white pines accumulate 75% of their carbon after reaching 50 years of age.