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Comments: I strongly support maintaining and growing areas of old-growth forests. Decades of scientific research has demonstrated the value of these forests, which require generations to grow to this stage. Climate change in our area is reducing the amount annual precipitation which means old-growth forests are more valuable than ever. I urge the Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management to protect all old-growth forests and help educate people about the value of these important forest ecosystems.