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RE:FEDERAL OLD GROWTH & MATURE FORESTS
COMMENT REGARDING EXECUTIVE ORDER 14072

Dear Forest Service:

I voice my support in defining "mature forests" as those aged 80 years.

My hobbies, vacations, volunteer work, and community are integrated with the ecological health of public lands. As a rock climber, kayaker and backpacker, I spend approximately 60 days a year in the Daniel Boone National Forests. This is where I have found fulfillment and found my community of like-minded outdoor enthusiasts and volunteers. Forests health and biodiversity is an essential part of this experience. And, since this underserved region has seen an explosion in outdoor recreation related jobs, it is essential to local economies.

Thank You,
Dan Chandler