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Comments: I favor complete implementation of President Biden's executive order to strengthen America's forests, boost wildfire resilience, and combat global deforestation.

I support an inclusive definition of old-growth and mature forests to provide as much legal protection of our forests as is possible. Our forests are irreplaceable; let's err on over-protection and let trees grow to maturity. Old-growth should be determined not solely on the age of trees but also considering effects of ecological processes.

Many citizens and organizations have mapped old-growth areas in our national forest. I would encourage the Forest Service to make use of these efforts to identify places deserving of protection.