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Comments: Old growth forests and large trees are more fire resistant. Thinning the forests can provide lumber and prescribed burns can reduce the amount of forest debris that makes the inevitable fires burn in a mosaic pattern , rather than high intensity that catches the crowns of the trees on fire and kills the trees. Clear cutting is still being done extensively with devastating results of mud slides and flooding, animal habitat reduction and the truth is uglier than hell. Driving on I 5 and backroads in Oregon and seeing the devastation from clear cuts is an unwelcome sight to behold!!