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Comments: I support Executive Order 14072 to protect old growth and mature forests on Federal lands. Mature and old growth trees are critical to our future to provide carbon sinks, protect biodiversity, keep our watersheds healthy, and make our forests more resilient to a changing climate. The science shows their importance, yet logging projects continue to get approved in our remaining mature and old growth forests like the Black Ram project in the moisture-rich Yaak in NW Montana. These projects must come to an end to let our planet heal and provide a better future for humanity and all life on earth.