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Comments: I urge the U.S. Department of Agriculture and U.S. Department of the Interior to work together immediately to initiate a rule-making process based on a minimum definition of mature forests and trees of 50 years old and older, (to be adjusted by region, ecosystem and species to capture the age of reproductive maturity for all tree species), in order to permanently end the avoidable loss of their critically important ecosystem, carbon, water, and wildlife values to logging.