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Comments: We know that mature and old growth forests have an important role in our attempts to avoid the worst impacts of climate change. While you are conducting this inventory, several projects on USFS and BLM land are moving forward and logging mature forest units and units with old growth characteristics.

All of these units should be removed from active logging projects until the inventory is complete and a detailed plan is in place. The reasoning is simple. If there is a scientific basis for logging these units, they will still be available in the future. However, if the scientific plan calls for preserving these units, we cannot undo the cutting.