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Comments: On Earth Day, 2022, Pres. Biden issued an executive order directing the USFS to conserve mature and old growth forests to benefit the climate and biodiversity. On Dec. 29th, 2022, the USFS cancelled an Oregon timber sale because it violated this order. Last week, Pres. Biden reinstated protections for the Tongass National Forest, protecting the largest expanse of old growth forest in the U.S.

We can find adequate sources for lumber on private and state land in Vermont. The Green Mountain National Forest should be dedicated to storing carbon in light of the severity of the global climate crisis.