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Comments: The Forest Service Mission Statement includes: Meet the needs of present and future generations.

All management is geared toward providing future generation use, enjoyment and needs.

According to the IPCC, we have only a 6-7 year window to reduce greenhouse gasses. After that, the atmosphere will be altered to the point that we cannot go back. In light of that information, what the future generation needs from us now and in the future is more intact forests to sequester more carbon.

The current FS vision of a desired forest distribution of uneven aged trees is a moot point. We do not have the luxury of 30 years to let your plan take shape. We need to let older forests remain standing to uptake as much CO<sub>2</sub> as possible right now.