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Comments: The Forest Service should not be opening more forest for logging, even if it is disguised as beneficial.

The Forest Service still regards it's mission as providing logs for harvest. This is horribly outdated. The global climate catastrophe necessitates that we plant more trees, not cut mature ones down. Mature trees sequester more carbon than hundreds of seedlings which may be planted to replace them- and those trees are not being planted by the loggers, or the forest service in new areas. Every day we see how things are not like they used to be, and we need to change how we live to prevent further catastrophe. The forest service should be buying more open land and establishing new forests. Nut trees are an excellent idea, looking forward to probable food insecurity, and climate migration.