Data Submitted (UTC 11): 3/9/2023 5:28:41 PM First name: Garrett Last name: Beckwith Organization: Title:

Comments: Throughout human history, there have been many events in which we wish we could take back. In many cases though, this is not possible and therefore many irreversible events are a catalyst for undesired changes.

As we know, it takes trees an incredible amount of time, energy, and proper conditions to grow and flourish into the old-growth forests we see today. With their continued growth, comes great benefits: clean air, habitats for animals, and sheer beauty. The removal of these great specimens would be incredibly corrupt. Not only for the sake of the trees themselves, but for us as humans. While we may not be completely appreciative of trees benefits right now, the destructions of such a large plot of trees could lead us to an abundance of regret as we realize their importance much too late. As humans, we must learn to utilize the precautionary principle in nature. Otherwise, irreversible damage will be upon us.