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Comments: I am very concerned that the Telephone Gap Integrated Research Project #60192 will negatively impact the growing climate crisis. It is designed to clear cut old growth forest, which has been shown to worsen the sequestration of carbon. And, what is more, it was designed many years ago (2006) and has not been updated since that time. What this means is that the current climate conditions have not been taken into account. Since 2006 there has been an obvious worsening of the amount of carbon that has been released into the air, causing the temperature to increase and/or to fluctuate wildly, not only in the U.S., but world-wide.

I feel great grief that the number of young people impacted will far outpace the ability of old growth forest to sequester the amount of carbon that would make a difference in climate change.