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Comments: We are in the middle of an unfolding existential climate crisis. Recent studies have convinced me that letting mature trees continue to grow in our public forests, sequestering carbon for the next several decades will be an important component of reducing our overall carbon emission during this critical period. I therefore strongly oppose the tree harvesting in the proposed Telephone Gap Project. These trees should be left to grow and be part of the solution, not part of the problem.