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Comments: I am concerned about the size of the proposed harvest plan for Telephone Gap, as well as the inclusion of roadless areas and extensive mature forests.

As a wildlife biologist I have seen firsthand the impact of road creation on the species composition and habitat fragmentation. Despite best practices, these disturbances have a negative impact on water quality, especially when assessed on a cumulative basis.

I encourage the harvest plans to be re-written to exclude roadless areas, older forests targeted for their carbon sequestration properties, and a reduction in the overall harvest area.

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