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Comments: While it has been some time since I was at Prince of Wales island and Petersberg. I wanted to comment on timber sales. I am a forester and worked in Minnesota DNR for 37 years.

I saw many old timber sales on P.O.W. island. I was very impressed with the regeneration of the native tree species. As I recall it was mostly Cedar and Fir or Spruce. I did some work on some future timber sales on P.O.W. island as a volunteer after I retired. I think it is important to use this timber resource because it is renewable. The stands of timber I saw were regenerating naturally and at full density.

The thing that I remember was the rough terrain. Horrible to get around in. So my main concerns were the road building. It seemed to change the character of the area where logging did occur. Hopefully any roads can be put to bed after logging. Erosion can be minimized.