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Comments: I support the Biden administration's plan to protect old growth forests. These trees are vital to the overall health of our soil, air and water. National Forests hold most of the nation's mature and old-growth trees, and therefore, its greatest stores of forest carbon. Old growth forests also offer unique research opportunities, as well, so we can begin to align our every day work and lifestyles to a more sustainable approach.

Humans and Americans are great at solving problems. Without access to old growth forests, I'm confident the logging industry will be able to adapt and find new ways to supply wood across the nation. In fact, Forestry needs to preserve old growth forests as well, so they can study what works and then intentionally farm wood that is healthy and quick growing.