Data Submitted (UTC 11): 1/9/2024 2:08:49 PM First name: Jacquelyn Last name: Dobrinska Organization: Title: Comments: Dear Sir/Madam,

What makes America unique is foresight to conserve its natural wonders for the future. Old groth forests used to span almost the entire east to the Mississippi River, now there are only pockets. These ecosystems whether virgin or not, hold great insights and wisdom that we do not yet have the capacity to understand. As Aldo Leapold wrote, "The first rule of intelligent tinkering is to save all the pieces." We need to save as much old growth as possible. Logging can come from other sources that don't contain unknown and much needed seeds for our future.

Please take this opportunity to protect our old-growth and mature forest from commercial logging and emphasize the restoration of wildfire resilience and old-growth characteristics across the plan area.

Thank you for protecting our old-growth forests, natural heritage areas, roadless areas, and sensitive habitats.