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Comments: We cannot afford to take half-measures in combatting climate change and environmental destruction. It is crucial that we not only protect old-growth forests but also mature forests (80-150 year old trees), to make sure that we capture and sequester as much carbon as possible. Short-term economic concerns are, frankly, secondary compared to the long-term stability and viability of human life on this planet.