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Comments: I support this proposal to end commercially driven logging of old-growth trees in National Forests. I ask that my leaders and representatives do what they can to approve this proposal. I agree with Secretary of Agriculture Tom Vilsack that "Old-growth forests are a vital part of our ecosystems and a special cultural resource" and therefore this historic proposal will "help our old-growth forests thrive across our shared landscape." I encourage leaders to extend this proposal further, and protect mature forests as well-as old-growth trees are lost, we must ensure that there are fully developed trees on the landscape to take their place. Please support this proposal and protect our valuable old-growth forests!

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