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Comments: I wanted to express my strong support for the proposal to end logging of old-growth trees in National Forests. Old-growth forests are not only vital carbon sinks, they are bastions of biodiversity and exceptional habitats that simply cannot be replicated by younger forests with younger trees. Protecting old growth trees is a vital part of protecting the future. In fact, this proposal should go one step further and extend protection to mature trees as well.