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Comments: Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the scoping for the amendment to the Northwest Forest Plan.

Since the NFP was signed, several new species have been added to the Endangered Species list within the area of the NFP.

Specifically I would like to call attention to the Coastal (Humboldt)marten which was listed as a threatened species by the U S Fish and Wildlife Service in 2020. A key, at risk population of this species exists within the Oregon Dunes National Recreation area. It has been estimated by researchers that there may be only 70 individuals within the ODNRA and that they exist precariously.

Researchers have found that this subspecies relies almost exclusively on mature shore pine (*Pinus contorta*) habitat with a rich understory of berry producing shrubs.

This forest dependent sub species was not addressed in the NFP nor was the proper management of the shore pine to ensure that the coastal marten could be conserved.

Please make sure that your amendment and Environmental Impact Statement address this species and its management. Thank you. LM