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Comments: Thank you for considering changes to Forest Service practices. But please be sure you are considering the best available science. We need solutions that match the magnitude of the threats we face. Conserving mature and old-growth forests on federal lands is a critical natural climate solution that will have a meaningful impact on the climate crisis and biodiversity crisis. We have a moral imperative to act boldly. Plans should not include logging burnt forests that are critical to the species like the black back woodpecker or spotted owl that rely on burnt forests for habitat and hunting. These forests will regenerate naturally in a few years.