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Comments: I have lived in the Pacific Northwest for the past ten years and the wealth of biodiversity and the amazing lifespan and the interconnectedness of the old growth forests here is something I cannot believe I am lucky enough to experience. It enriches my soul every time I step out into it. The PNW is one of the most unique and beautiful systems in the nation and it deserves the strongest of protections and the best stewardship we can offer it. Please do everything you can to increase old growth protections, and be up to date as possible with the latest discoveries of fire management and protection, including the differing treatment of west side and east side forests. Given the potential climate troubles we seem to be likely heading into, the protection of our forests here in the PNW is the protection of a throughline to the deep history of life on this planet and we must do whatever we can to ensure that that line does not die on our watch, but is saved and enhanced for our future descendants.