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Comments: We need protections for old growth forests. There are very few old growth forests left in the United States compared to what existed 100 years ago - a short time period. These forests are inspiring, and life saving. They protect a vast diversity of life and sequester large amounts of greenhouse gasses. They are one of the best answers to climate change.

They remind us of the long reach of time. Walking in an old growth forest, we have to consider how life has been for over 500 years and we can better understand a sense of our place in the world.

Protect them. No logging in old growth forests!