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Comments: I am an American citizen and I support efforts to protect old growth forests from commercial logging. Old growth forests are crucial habitats and important carbon stores and they should not be destroyed or degraded for short-term profit. Logging in old growth forests should be restricted to thinning and the harvesting of young trees to reduce the severity of wildfires or protect the forest from threats like disease. Logging for the primary purpose of commercial gain should not be allowed in old growth forests. Clearcutting should be completely banned in old-growth forests.