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Comments: Although the Northwest Forest Plan protects some older forests, it does not protect all older forests. Given we will never be able to re-create these mature and older forests it's imperative we protect all older forests, especially those on the cusp of becoming old-growth. Benefits of not protecting them do not compare to the opportunity and responsibility to protect them.

Forest fire mitigation programs should include understanding of the individual forest composition. It is likely that westside forests and eastside forests would require different mitigation strategies.

Climate change will affect our forests, however I would prefer that an amendment be science based vs open to political agenda or local media opinions.

I support tribal inclusion and co-stewardship.

Thank you for your time and attention to your mission of caring for the land.