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Comments: I deeply appreciate that the Forest Service is drafting a management plan for the Old Growth forests of the nation. As a Christian, I believe in the physical, mental, and spiritual benefits that old growth forests provide to not only humans, but all of God's creation. Trees are important in a lot of world religions and are prevalent as important witnesses to God's greatness in the Old and New Testaments of the Christian bible. I urge the Forest Service to draft a robust management plan that prolongs the lives of our old growth forests, protects the creatures that call these forests home, and prevents loopholes that would allow large-scale, commercial logging industries to take advantage of this important environmental resource.

Thank you for the time spent on this management plan and the continued care of God's creation!

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