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Comments: I am grateful and pleased to see that the Forest Service is drafting a management plan for the Old Growth forests of the nation. As a follower of the Way of Jesus, the way of love, life and peace for all life, I believe in the physical, emotional, mental and spiritual gifts that old growth forests provide to not only humans, but all of God's creation. 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 the logging industry to take advantage of this important environmental resource. Earth, including Old Growth Forests, is NOT a commodity to be used however we choose. Earth and Old Growth Forests are gift and have a life and purpose of their own which is an essential part of our human living.

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

In faith and hope,

The Reverend Thomas Carr