Data Submitted (UTC 11): 1/23/2024 6:11:52 PM First name: Denise Last name: Coon Organization: Title: Comments: Thank you for taking the important step of drafting a management program for the old growth forests in the USA.

I believe that old growth forests provide critical benefits to humans and animals alike. Protecting and maintaining the health of these old growth forests will ensure that more carbon is removed from our air than without them, and will also stabilize critical ecosystems.

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.

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

In faith and hope,