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Comments: I am so excited to see 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. 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. After visiting the Olympic Peninsula, I have seen first-hand the destruction of old-growth forests, and it is barbaric.

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

In faith and hope, Mary Fitzpatrick