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I would like to comment on the Northwest Forest Plan Amendment 64745. I request that several priorities should guide changes to the plan. Remaining mature and old-growth trees should be protected from logging, first and foremost. The Forest Service should increase the number of mature and old-growth trees covered by the Plan.

Beneficial fires can restore forests and maintain their health, especially in more remote regions, so the use of these controlled fires should increase. The Forest Service should work with Tribes as much as possible in these restoration efforts to apply their knowledge and resources within the NWFP area. The Service should also work with Tribes and communities to develop and increase restoration workforce capacity in the regions most affected by the NWFP.