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Comments: New science has confirmed the important role that mature and old-growth forests play in helping to stabilize water flows, which is critically important in an age of climate change. New science also shows that these forests are more resistant and resilient to wildfire compared to logged forests. These large trees are important for many reasons: for the carbon they are able to store, for the diversity they provide for the environment, for the homes they create for many creatures that depend on them and for the beauty they provide the public when recreating amongst them. For these reasons I suggest protecting as many of them as humanly possible.