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Comments: Please consider the benefits of beavers to wildlands, including old growth forests. Beavers have been extirpated from many areas in the Western US, including Utah.

By reintroducing beavers into watersheds of old growth forests, those ecosystems should experience;

- more water retention in the soil,
- healthier growth of vegetation,
- more viable fish and wildlife populations,
- and a decrease in damage to forests by wildfires.