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Comments: Please support adoption of this practical, effective, well-founded policy to protect and restore old growth forests. Thanks to all the brilliant research by forest scientistS--such as using radioactive isotopes to show communal sharing of resources among various species and from old trees to young, for one example, (As described by best-selling forest scientist Suzanne Simard and others)-we know how important multi-aged stands are to overall tree health and our own. Forests are the best workhorses we know of to deal with carbon pollution

. They need this policy to thrive and deserve expansion. It's a win win. And now is the time. On the other hand, failure to implement such wise policy will have far-reaching effects of degradation. Loss of old growth and healthy forests just lead to states of devastation and hopelessness. Exploitation of these resource areas for privatized monetization by miners and loggers impoverish everyone, including them. Now is not the time to allow our last best forests to be ripped asunder for some sort of "unobtanium." Now is the time to nourish the forests and mine the garbage.