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Comments: I have advocated for old-growth forests for years. They are proving increasingly valuable to our environment. Recent scientific research has shown us that these trees sequester more carbon than young trees. In addition, we now know that in forests that include old growth trees, all the trees are healthier. And, there are animals that depend on old growth trees for some portion of their life cyc. All. of these, in addition to their incomparable beauty, are good reasons to preserve them.