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I'm urging you to prioritize preserving biodiversity and habitat connectivity in the forest plan. We must strengthen protections for Northern Spotted Owl, Marbled Murrelet, and the many other at-risk fish and wildlife species effected by habitat fragmentation and loss. Preserving biodiversity in the face of climate change also means ensuring habitat resilience from the impacts of wildfire, drought, disease, and insects.

We must protect and replenish all mature and old-growth trees and forests. Millions of acres of mature and old-growth forest was left open for logging in the old Plan. We must preserve that treasure.

Lastly, the Forest Service should consider incorporating Indigenous cultural burning practices in the management of our forests as these are sound environmental principles.