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Comments: Dear Secretary Vilsack,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Notice of Intent for Land Management Plan Direction for Old-Growth Forest Conditions across the National Forest System.

As an avid outdoor recreationist, a farmer and a person who cares about the climate, I want to share my strong support for the proposed plan amendment, which I believe will simultaneously benefit outdoor recreation, climate, healthy watersheds, and biodiversity. Opportunities to experience old growth forests are one of the reasons I visit National Forests. These protections can also help protect forests in the face of climate change, and preserve water and air quality for everyone.

Thank you.