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Comments: I'd like the old growth forest plan to consider the value of mature/old growth trees for the health of the forest in general. Old mature trees have knowledge that the younger trees do not have. Also it has been pointed out through research that the mature trees aid younger trees in intact forests.

Break that bond, and you lose the knowledge, and the forest does not do as well.

See Merlin Sheldrake's "Entangled Life", and Peter Wohlleben's "The Hidden Life of Trees"