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Comments: A major key to combating climate change already exists in the presence of mature and old-growth forests.

Arguing that mature and old-growth trees are most susceptible to climate change effects and therefore are justified for removal is like alleging that because people can get serious respiratory infections, they should simply have their respiratory systems removed to solve the problem.

It's not that simplistic: the nation is reeling from the adverse effects of climate change from human overdevelopment, the use of fossil fuels, the activity of industry and the like.

Not a one of us can afford losing the mature and old-growth trees that deliver the carbon sequestration benefits that are needed to properly address climate change.

Furthermore, the vast majority of wildfires are originally caused by irresponsible or willfully negligent people.

The solution is not to remove these trees that took numerous decades or hundreds of years to grow. The answer is to leave those trees alone and curb human incursions and negligence and the unchecked and wanton activity of industries.

Thank you for your consideration of my comments.