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Comments: Dear Sirs,

I would just like to express my extreme preference in the safeguarding and nurturing any and all old growth forests in the continental United states. Any where in the world for that matter. I am a cabinetmaker/woodworker and appreciate many species of wood. Knowing the value and exquisite characteristics of older growth lumber in my trade is appreciated but not needed. I would much prefer using farmed or younger growth, thus allowing for the mature forests to continue growing. If thinning is needed or other measures to help prevent fires, so be it. We only have so many treasured old growth trees remaining and every one that can be retained will only allow future generations to marvel at their spectacle.

Thanks much, Ken Mincin