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Comments: I am grateful to hear the Forest Service is reconsidering its mission toward preservation of forests to counter climate change. I am the widow of author Jack Shepherd whose 1975 book "The Forest Killers" was one of the earliest to document the trend of the Forest Service toward commercialization of forests as a "crop." That was nearly 50 years ago but it is never too late to preserve old forest, cease clear-cutting, and none too soon to respond to the escalating imperatives of climate change.