Data Submitted (UTC 11): 3/25/2024 10:08:04 PM First name: Bruce Last name: Schulman Organization: Title: Comments: Please preserve the old growth forests in the Telephone Gap area ... this is unnecessary and unwarranted destruction of forest, habitat and environment.

Selective harvesting to manage forest health is understandable, but any clear cutting is not. Higher costs for loggers is not (ETHICS IS NOT FOR SALE).

Your government doublespeak of calling limited clear cutting forest management is a farce and needs to stop.

Say clearly what is happening - so we can clearly oppose all clear cutting of mature growth trees that are not in jeopardy.

BTW - the trees are over 50 years old - so the carbon they store isn't in the current atmospheric carbon inventory - so this, when burned for home heating and electricity at McNeil is new pollution (not to mention the NOx, SOx, and particulates). AND It will be 50 more years before new trees absorb the new pollution, meaning that you are creating the problem at the exact moment it needs to be avoided.

Logging without replacement - and wait to see how the forest grows - is also a farce. You know how the forest grows back. This is just another way to maximize logger profit now, and pass the cost of recovery and replanting on to taxpayers in the future -- you kids will NOT thank you for this.