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Comments: I do not support the Proposed Action. I feel that it isn't any better than the original proposal. I think that the Alternative 1 proposal could work, with some improvements in the plan. Specifically, I would ask that you designate more strands as old growth for future generations and reducing the rate of logging per year. I have great concerns regarding any logging that will take place. The land is so steep in the majority of the tree stands, that the machinery will destroy the flora and fauna found there, and any chemicals used to control the invasive species would be a risk to our ground water that locals drink from their wells. We are very concerned about the erosion that will occur from any logging activity. We have already experienced landslides and floods in our area, and we do not need to increase our risk for those in any way. It will highly impact the wildlife in the area as well. We even have a pair of bald eagles that are seen in the trees beside our road, and I certainly do not want a species as highly protected as that to be disturbed at all! I hope that you will take all these comments into consideration.