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Comments: To Whom it May Concern,

I am an avid believer in protecting our nations old growth trees. Too much land has been leased to ranchers for grazing, and too many forests have been harvested. In the age of our current Climate Emergency, we need to protect these forests more than ever before. Additionally, we need to employ native tribes to manage these forests through their generational fire management strategies that have worked for thousands of years.

Conserving Forests Is the Fastest, Most Effective Way to Stabilize Our Climate https://time.com/6158948/conserving-forests-stabilize-our-climate/

10 Reasons To Save Old-Growth Forests https://sierraclub.bc.ca/10-reasons-to-save-old-growth/

Old growth definitions and values

https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/industry/forestry/managing-our-forest-resources/old-growth-forests/old-growth-values

Indigenous Fire Practices Shape our Land https://www.nps.gov/subjects/fire/indigenous-fire-practices-shape-our-land.htm

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How the Indigenous practice of 'good fire' can help our forests thrive https://www.universityofcalifornia.edu/news/how-indigenous-practice-good-fire-can-help-our-forests-thrive

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