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Comments: Not really holding my breath in expectation of responsiveness from USDA, Forest Service, & the corporations who lobby y'all. But if I had my druthers, when considering "management" of old growth forests on public land, I wish you guys would:

- involve indigenous tribes who have stewarded these lands for millennia. not only tokenism, but actually consulting re fire practices etc would behoove us all
- prioritize climate chaos mitigation. for the love of god.
- deprioritize any and ALL forms of the lumber industry
- prioritize our living and fragile ecosystems, particularly any fellow Earthlings who have been designated endangered/threatened (my limited understanding is that "dead trees" actually provide nutrients to other trees and fungi, homes for symbiotic creatures, etc-- again, tribes have wisdom and eye witness accounts to this end)
- be flexible and fresh in your approaches, as we enter an era in which, according to scientists on this morning's news, we have TWO (1, 2, y ya es todo) to throw the brakes on this runaway climate catastrophe....

thank you bunches,

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