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Comments: Dear U.S. Forest Service,

I take a nuanced view of the work of managing federal forests. I do think it is appropriate to log in the forests, but not to do clear cutting. I have spent years battling invasive species such as mulberry, callery pear, and honeysuckle and they thrive in clear cut areas and at the edges of forests that have been fragmented. Instead of clear cutting, I advocate for selective logging. While not as profitable in the short term, it is the most ecologically beneficial in the long term.

I know that the staff of the U.S. Forest Service serve in your jobs because you love the forests. Please remember the values that brought you to the job. Protecting and serving the best interests of the long term health of the old growth forest is protecting and serving people as well.

Thank you,

Eric Riddle