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Comments: Ladies & amp; Gentlemen,

My family owns sustainably managed forest land both in California and Vermont. We have been good stewards of our properties for over forty years and have conservation easements on both forests. In California especially, we are very aware of the dangers of extremely destructive wild fire and we are taking proactive measures to minimize the damage such a fire could do.

My family and I strongly urge you to give fire prevention a very top priority in the management of all forests including old growth. The loss of forests in the west has been nothing short of tragic.

We urge you to look at the big picture, and make every effort to protect our National, State and private forest be they managed or forever wild.

Thank you,

Peter T. Parker