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Comments: You are too weak when you allow any logging and thinning. These unique and special forests need to be totally protected from mankind and profits for logging companies. You are ignoring the impacts of climate warming already in process everywhere on the Earth. Additionally the forest plants, trees, wildlife (birds, insects, aquatic life, animals, fungus, etc. require biodiversity, ecological integrity, and habitat. Wildlife also migrate and need pathways suited to their species.

Don't you realize these old growth forests have been alive and well since the United State of America for formed for all the Indigenous peoples before that? This is why President Biden, VP Harris, conservationists are making this requirement of the USFS. USFS has forever been way too oriented toward making profits for commercial organizations, and hiring mostly people with degrees in forest/timber management instead of scientists who specialize in all of nature. The BLM has just changed their sole purpose of commercial uses on their lands, finally adding conservation - saving the natural components of all public lands.

The old growth forests are still alive in most cases because they can handle fires and other natural disasters, and they have genes that need to be saved. You also need to stop preventative fires in any forest, as their clear scientific evidence that those forests burn anyway. The wind, the climate, human development all affect our forests. Study all the forest fires in the last 50 years at least and you'll see before and after photos and then a few years later, more fires in these same areas. We need strong forests all over the US to save us from carbon in our atmosphere, that occurs when you cause a fire and natural fires.

Go back to your drawing board and take out logging and thinning. Thank you.