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Comments: Eastern Deciduous forests are part of this important plan amendment. They have to be considered as an endangered ecosystem and different from those in the west.

Mature growth must be allowed to grow to old growth status to adhere to the EO 14072. Mature and Old growth (MOG) stands must be treated differently than younger age classes because of their unique characteristics and importance.

All current projects with MOG growth must be paused until such time as the amendments can be made to their respective forest plans.