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Comments: I fully support the plan to increase protections for old-growth forests and safeguard them from logging. These forests are irreplaceable treasures that play a crucial role in maintaining biodiversity and combating climate change. However, the Supreme Court's recent restrictions on administrative agencies' ability to enforce regulations seriously undermine these efforts. It's vital that we restore the authority needed to manage and protect our nation's old-growth forests effectively. Preserving these natural resources should be a top priority for the sake of future generations.