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Comments: We must protect one of the best carbon sinks on our planet-our old growth AND our mature tree forests. No thinning of mature or old growth trees should be allowed anywhere. These trees are irreplaceable and should not be sacrificed for short term gain. These forests not only help to cool our planet but help mitigate natural fires, help capture precious water, clean the air, prevent erosion, keep our watersheds healthy, provide habitat for so many birds and mammals and plants, including endangered species such as marbled murrelet and spotted owl but also are home to fungi and other life forms we have not even discovered yet. These are our country's crown jewels as someone recently said and everyone I know wants the tiny amount that's left, protected. Do the right thing for the good of all and finally provide REAL and lasting protection, with NO loopholes or unclear language for these magnificent beings. Thank you on behalf of my children and grandchildren and Your children and grandchildren and pur earth itself.