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Comments: Thanks the USFS for their important work defining and identifying old growth forests on our public lands, for recognizing traditional ecological knowledge and prioritizing tribal consultation, and for complying with existing wilderness and inventoried roadless area protections in its draft.

I am asking you, the USFS Managers to provide the strongest and clearest protections for our old growth forests and encourage the agency to use clear language and directives to protect old growth forests from unnecessary timber harvest or invasive enhancement treatments with potentially unintended consequences.

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