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Comments: With the Biden Administration's Executive order to protect our federal mature forests, it seems that the NW Forest Plan should continue to provide protection to these critical forests accross the Pacific Northwest.

Please do the following:

- Strengthen existing protections for mature and old growth forests
- Manage forests to increase the acreage of mature forests for carbon storage
- Use science based approaches for wildfire management with the knowledge that more mature forests maintain more moisture on the ground than younger forests