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Comments: I live next to a huge green belt North of Paine Field airport. It is called Japanese Gulch as the Japanese used to live there, back when they were the majority, and worked in lumber mills and canning salmon. The Red Cedar mills and canned salmon are gone, along with Chief Seattle. The Japanese have left their graveyard, but there is nobody that can read the headstones as they are in Japanese. They were sent to camps after Pearl Harbor and did not return. Japanese Gulch is 2 miles long and stretches to the Ocean. It has a Boeing railroad in it. Nobody but Boeing has the right to walk around the park, it seems, as they have security. The native Western Red Cedar was all logged in the 19th century. What has replaced it is crappy junk trees, Govt web sites never mention this, since they are written in Utopian fantasy by woke liberal arts majors who never walk around. The junk trees should be cut down and replaced by the native Western Red Cedar. This costs money so it never happens, as nobody in gov't cares about anything but a pay raise. The wood could be sold as firewood for \$150 a pickup truck load. Right now, people who can start a chainsaw steal it for free. Only people who grew up here can start a chainsaw.

I have a photo of a barred owl taken in the huge 2 square mile forest of 3rd growth junk trees North of Paine Field. I think it killed the spotted owls. There are many coyotes in there, and they eat the cat ladies cats. There are deer and they come eat my garden. Raccoons, possums, homeless guys in tents, doing drugs, also live there.

Cut down junk trees. Plant Western Red Cedar. The whole Northwest has this problem that the native trees can't compete with the junk trees after a clear cut happens. They are great as firewood, so people go in there with chainsaws, but a few seekers of firewood can't re-do a big forest inside a city. A spotted owl can't survive with barred owls around, unless there are thick Cedar forests that allow spotted owls to hide. I hear owls hooting all the time, since I don't have a TV. Hard to see. Easy to hear at night.