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Comments: Hello,

My name is Matt Aberle and I am writing in support of the strongest possible protections for old growth trees. I believe that the Forest Service should proceed with Alternative #3 as it offers those strong protections. There has been too much deference to industrial logging and its destructive practices, we need strong protections in place now to ensure the survival of these increasingly rare and ecologically vital ecosystems. As climate change worsens year over year, we have already seen the horrific impacts worldwide which makes old growth forests more important than ever. Old growth forests are also the most resilient and resistant to mega wildfires which have become more common where I live in Oregon. There is no justifiable reason, aside from greed, that any commercial logging of old growth forests should be allowed. Therefore I implore the Forest Service to adopt Alternative #3.

Thank you,

Matt Aberle