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Comments: Dear Forest Service:

The management of our national forests must reflect the value they bring to all American's lives: clean air and drinking water, species habitat, space for cultural practices, outdoor recreation and tourism. The list goes on. There must be real protections for both mature and old growth trees, protection from the threat of logging and inappropriate management techniques by the agencies.

There is a great opportunity right now to create the most significant federal land protection policy we have seen in more than two decades. The timing could not be more critical as health forest systems combat climate change. We need them more than ever. North America has a fraction of the primary forests it once supported. If we fail to protect the remaining old-growth, if we fail to allow mature forests to age into old-growth, we are fundamentally failing to address a key impact of the climate and biodiversity crises for our nation.,

Please protect the old growth forests.

Sincerely,

Rebecca Haas