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Comments: Dear Chief Moore,

I urge you to protect all mature and old growth forests on our national forests from logging.

These forests play a critical role in ameliorating the climate and biodiversity crises which we are now facing. Unfortunately none of the alternatives in the DEIS include language to prohibit logging of old growth. Mature forests need explicit protection, as these forests and trees are the nation's future old growth.

The mature forests provide the bulk of the climate benefits on federal forests, yet there are no standards proposed in the DEIS that would protect these forests.

We have a moral imperative to protect these forest and I urge you to ensure that our oldest trees and forests are protected.

Sincerely,

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