Data Submitted (UTC 11): 9/13/2024 4:00:00 AM First name: Anon Last name: Anon Organization: Title: Comments: Land Management Plan Direction for Old-Growth Forest Conditions Across the National Forest System #65356 should be implemented if it:

* Halts cutting of old growth and mature forests across the nation

* Provides collaborative, equitable, and science-based processes for identifying areas on each national forest that can be stewarded into becoming old-growth forests for future generations

* Provides standard direction across all national forests

Preserving old growth forests is imperative because they:

- * Assist human adaption to climate change
- * Reduce levels of greenhouse gases better than younger forests
- * Provides sources of new forest growth
- * Provide homes for wildlife that need diverse resources
- * Provide clean air and water