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Comments: Old growth forest is an important component of a healthy forest ecosystem. So too are other stages of successional growth that support the needs of different wildlife. Planning for these varied tracts within a larger forest provides essential habitat for a maximum number of species. This outcome can only be achieved through active forest management. Active forest management also enhances Carbon sequestration as well and also mitigates potential forest fires.

Thank you for all that you do and for giving concerned citizens like me a chance to voice my thoughts.