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Comments: Dear Forest Service,

I have lived next to the Siuslaw Forest on the Oregon coast for 45 years. It is a large forest that is irreplaceable. I observed much logging near me 40 years ago. The forest that was logged was old and diverse. Sometimes one tree per log truck. There still remains many of these old trees they are priceless. These large trees create a closed canopy that is fire resistant. Do not allow logging as it will open our forest to more fire danger. This forest sinks water into the soil and creates rain in an awesome water cycle. The logged areas have runoff that silts the streams. Habitat is ruined. Grouse and quail in my area have almost disappeared from the logged sites. We have many native species depending on this forest for habitat and sustenance.

We do not owe private business any predictability within Siuslaw National Forest for a yearly harvest. Private corporations and investment groups have raped our Oregon coast forests. Look at the Hwy. 20 corridor and the Siletz area. People on the north coast have less water due to the extensive logging there. Do to sell my birthright and my childrens birthright to clean water, air and biodiversity to out of state corporations!

The Siuslaw Forest and its biological diversity are priceless. We the people need to protect it for future generations. This forest stabilizes our climate. Protect it!