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Comments: I was a prior landowner of about 50 acres of old growth timber, which provided clean water for a fish pond, garden, and many hours of hiking, hunting and "forest bathing" for all of my children and grandchildren. I have also been in the wood(furniture) industry all of my life, so I have seen the good, the bad and the ugly of the timber industry from many perspectives. I am adamantly opposed to any plan to clear cut old growth forests, and encourage a more eco-friendly, contemporary approach to manage these essential, vanishing assets. Thank you.