Data Submitted (UTC 11): 9/18/2024 4:00:00 AM First name: Linda Last name: Sebring Organization: Title: Comments: Old growth forests are reservoirs of species diversity. Mature forests adjacent the old growth will provide Habitat for endangered species recovery.

Old growth and mature trees are fire resistent and provide water filtration services preventing sediment transport.

Old growth is so rare that even a small Grove needs to be conserved and not harvested for the biodiversity it holds.

I object to the Land Management Plan Direction for Old-Growth Forest Conditions Across the National Forest System #65356 because it does not adequately protect our remaining stands.