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Comments: Old-growth forests create park-like settings which do not support the variety of life that is needed in our forests. Vast forest fires (not a real option) or aggressive forest management (i.e. logging) is necessary to allow renewed life in forests which creates habitat needed for by native plants and animals. The ruffed grouse is an example of an animal that thrives in new growth forests. Logging also creates and supports jobs in the forest industry. Trees should be managed, not protected or ignored, for the most healthy ecosystem....and planet.