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Comments: 18% of old growth is left to be managed by national control. The benefits of protecting this small percent far exceeds the one time use and gain by a few. The more we research, the more we learn about the contribution of these majestic survivors.

The better we understand how all life benefits from these forests the better we understand our planet. But how do we learn and obtain the lessons of these forests if they are not protected? Future generations need mature forests as part of their existence, not just photos and the realization that we blew it when we let them disappear.