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Comments: 1. Logging of "old growth" forests should cease immediately.

2. Mature stands should be delegated to having some members of that population left alone to grow into "old growth".

3. Clear cutting should be eliminated. You know all of the terrible effects of clear cutting. (I could write a long exposition about how bad this is.) Since federal lands only supply about 5% of our lumber market, this could be done without much impact. The only benefit is to the loggers who come in from out of state so they can rape our forests with less expense. Loggers should be held responsible for failing to rehab an area. That does not mean letting an area fill up with Asian bush honeysuckle or Tree of Heaven, etc.

4. Clear cutting on "steep" to "very steep" slopes should be eliminated immediately.

5. Study the way indigenous people have successfully managed their forests for centuries. Incorporate their good ideas and methods. For example, there are cases in which prescribed burns make sense.