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Comments: We must be more robust in protecting our old-growth forests. They are essential to the survival of all beings. Harvesting mature trees without restriction would seriously diminish our ability to preserve old-growth forests and their benefits for future generations. We must protect and increase carbon-rich old-growth forests because they remove and store climate-warming carbon from the air. The moist forest I'm familiar with, the Siuslaw National Forest in Oregon, is the number one carbon-storing forest in the country. Please include special guidance in the final document for super-carbon-storehouse-forests like the Siuslaw.

Please take action to strengthen the National Old-Growth Amendment so that future generations are able to enjoy the countless benefits that these irreplaceable forests provide.