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Comments: As an educator who values the Gifford Pinchot, and its biodiversity as a classroom, it is important to me that the national forest be managed with a view towards what is actually happening currently and also and with an eye towards climate (human caused) changes. Therefore, I am advocating the following:

****Drop the 549 acres of remaining complex mature forests from the harvest plans;**

****Protect all Douglas-firs trees with a 30" diameter or more in matrix stands; and**

****Provide a no-cut buffer of 1.5 to 2 drip lines on all trees with a 40" diameter or more to protect their root systems from the negative impacts of heavy machinery.**

Thank you for this opportunity to voice my concern as a citizen and frequent visitor to this unique national forest.