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Comments: The National Forest Service is supporting an amendment that would change forest preservation in an alarming way. The suggested amendments would remove protections from mature old-growth forests and emphasize logging over wildlife and habitat protections. I am appalled that the National Forest Service would even consider opening up our precious remaining old growth forests to logging. These forests are the repositories of only 3% of the biological diversity and original habitats of the forests that existed prior to European colonization. We must continue to protect these forests for humanity and as an inspiration for our relationship to trees. I believe we should grow and maintain productive landscapes of tree crops for our future food supply (chestnuts, hazelnuts, hickory, berries for oil, flour and fresh eating). These food systems capture carbon in the soil and give us nutritious sustenance. Having access to these old growth forests is incredibly important as a reminder for humans to their relationship as part of nature.