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Comments: As an 80 year old Washington Native, I have watched the forests throughout the State be harvested, in National Forests, in an improved management way. Harvests have gone from total clear-cuts to selective cutting as well as some improved protections of old growth trees. The streams are now better protected and trees are being left for diversity and to provide valuable shade for fish. The tree "farms" are terrible examples of how to provide habitat and the single species of tree farms does nothing positive for the environment.

I cannot say how terrible, cruel and unnecessary it is to harvest the old trees. Our legacy should be a respect for the habitat those trees create as well as an acknowledgment of the legacy these old trees show to succeeding generations. Old Growth cannot be replicated. Cutting old trees is not necessary. Please protect and respect old trees in the new management plan.