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Comments: Hello, I am born and raised in the Pacific Northwest in Oregon. When I was as young as 10 years old my dad taught me how to go backpacking and I began going on multi day long treks through many of the old growth forests that exist around Oregon. Being in those forests shaped me as a person. I learned to love nature and these places and that brought about a deep respect and sense of responsibility to always take protect them. I am a better person and member of society today as a result of the time I spent in these sacred places. We must protect these public forests from logging and disruption at all costs. They are precious! These old growth trees are essential when it comes to wildfire prevention. Logging these forests would be an atrocity that would ripple out for generations. I beg you to hear my plea to please protect our old growth forests in Oregon - and was throughout all of America. What will happen to future generations without access to these places? Not only would we be at more risk of debilitating climate change but we will lose more of our humanity as a whole without these forests. Connecting with nature I believe is essential to humans success. Being in these old growth forests taught me stewardship, kindness, a deep love for plants and wildlife, and so importantly how we are all interconnected to each other and the nature we live in. We are nothing without the environment with which we live and we must honor and protect these forests if we want to thrive as a human race. Please do not let this administration log the forests I grew up in, all the priceless memories I have in them, and continue to love. Thank you.