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Comments: I am a lifelong resident of the PNW and support the continuation of the NWFS, especially in the face of USFS program cuts. Additionally, the Bioacoustics lab at OSU provides incredibly important monitoring work. Acoustic monitoring provides a non-invasive way to study wildlife populations at a scale that would be impossible using traditional field methods. This project is a game-changer for understanding species distribution, migration patterns, and the impact of environmental changes on wildlife. These programs are so incredibly important to our forests and everyone who lives here!