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Comments: I am writing in opposition to an increase in timber harvest in the Pacific Northwest. Healthy

ecosystems and cultural vitality in the pacific rely on healthy old forest ecosystems.

I addition, I would like to extend my support for continued passive acoustic monitoring of northern spotted owl populations, which is required under Northwest Forest Plan Effectiveness Monitoring. A reduction in monitoring capacity would result in the Federal Government not meeting its monitoring obligations for the Federally Threatened Northern Spotted Owl.