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Comments: Hi forest planners. I would like to comment on the upcoming Northwest Forest plan. And your decisions in drafting this upcoming forest plan please consider climate change as a top priority. Large trees are far more effective and being carbon sinks. Do not cut any old-growth trees or any trees in sensitive areas over 80 years old. This plan should be in the federal mandates not up to local ranger discretion. Please develop regulations that keep prohibit all public lands from private leases. Please prohibit local government management of public lands that would result in a broken mosaic at forest management. Avoid compromising habitat, resulting in a taking under USFWS terms. Please develop your plan that will limit logging that is disguised as fire in fuel reduction. This is not helping our climate. I have lived in the Smith River national recreation area, and US forest service management zone for 35 years I love being out in the back country and I especially love areas that are still relatively pristine. As a Wilderness advocate, I'd like to see more wilderness and I firmly encourage you to protect all old growth forest and Roadless areas. These areas are extremely valuable not only to myself, but for future generations. Thank you, Gordon Pfeffer.