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Comments: The Forest is integral to absorbing water and providing habitat for flora and fauna. Without the cover of trees, water runs down slopes and erodes the soil. We need forests for the health of the land. We also need forests for recreation. People want to walk and hike on trails surrounded by forest, which improves physical and mental health.

Water quality depends on forests, not clear cuts. The rate of logging in the coast range is such that the trees harvested are only 30-40 years old. Slow down the cutting, do not increase it. We need lumber, but the Forest should not be solely for that purpose only.