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Comments: Under the current administration far too much timber harvest is planned on NF lands. As these lands are managed for the benefit of all Americans I call on the forest service to protect old growth and mature forests. This should be done as laid out in the plan by incorporating indigenous knowledge and communities whenever applicable. I hope the protections that have made the forests of the western US so special and unique stay in place to ensure all future generations as well as current have the chance to experience the beautiful landscapes this country is home to. It is also important to note that old growth and mature forests are only as rare as the Forest Service decides to make them. Over the coming years increased protections should be put in place near existing mature and old growth forests to expand on these vital ecosystems to conserve endangered species and also to ensure more of these forests are accessible to Americans who want to experience them in the future.