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Comments: My property is adjacent to the Yachats River and the Siuslaw National Forest. I am urging the U.S. Forest Service to finalize a strong Northwest forest plan that protects mature and old growth forests as well as watersheds, rivers, and streams. It would be a shame to undo the work in recent years that is aimed at saving endangered species, including salmon, an important part of our local economy. It is now recognized that older forests slow down the spread of wildfires, and also slow global warming. The diversity of wildlife, plants, and fungi found in mature forests is a treasure that should be protected. There are too few of these areas left. Once they are gone, there may be no return.