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Comments: This amendment would weaken core environmental protections for forests, potentially allowing logging in areas meant to protect wildlife and critical habitat. It would also negatively impact endangered species like the northern spotted owl, Chinook and coho salmon, and the marbled murrelet, which rely on mature and old-growth forests for survival. Mature and old-growth forests play a crucial role in sequestering carbon, and increased logging could release stored carbon into the atmosphere, exacerbating climate change.

Please do not pass this amendment.