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Comments: We must have a strong forest plan that addresses modern science and public values, Tribal

concerns, and the needs of future generations.

Forests are vital for fighting climate change, filtering clean drinking water, and sheltering wildlife. They must be OFF THE CHOPPING BLOCK!

Mature and old-growth trees and forests store an incredible amount of carbon on the landscape and are essential natural climate solutions. Protecting mature and old-growth forests from the threat of logging is one of the most regionally significant climate actions that should be taken.

- > Maintain protection for stands 80 to 120 years old for fire protection, for carbon capture & amp; endangered species protection.
- > Wildfire resilience is not enhanced by logging mature trees far from communities.
- > Protections for endangered species must not be weakened.
- > Tribal input should not be tied to doubling the logging quota.
- > Carbon sequestration is better achieved with mature forests rather than fire-prone plantations.