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Comments: Hi! My name's Shane and I'm a regular user of Forest Service lands in the Pacific Northwest for recreation. These lands are extremely important to me and to many people and animals in the region.

There are very few remaining old growth forests in the country, and we should be doing everything we can to protect those that we have here in the PNW. These are extremely important for ecosystem vitality for all kinds of creatures and are impossible to restore once removed. Attacking old growth forests would hurt not just large animal populations that rely on this ecosystem, but also ourselves, since they are extremely useful for wildfire prevention.

This plan only focuses on logging as the use of Forest Service land, but there are many other important uses and values. The plan disregards the value of forests for habitat, climate stability and carbon sequestration, recreation, and clean air and water that communities actually rely on. It also will not have nearly the economic impact promised. Please do not pass it.