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Comments: I am writing to urge the Forest Service not to make changes to the Northwest Forest Plan. The old-growth forests of the Pacific Northwest are irreplaceable treasures that hold deep personal and ecological value. I've hiked under their ancient canopies and fished in the streams that support wildlife and communities alike. These forests are crucial in the fight against climate change, acting as natural carbon stores and protecting biodiversity.

We cannot afford to open these vital ecosystems to more logging. Weakening protections would devastate wildlife habitats, degrade water quality, and worsen the climate crisis. The Northwest Forest Plan has successfully safeguarded these forests for nearly 30 years, and now is the time to strengthen, not reduce, those protections.

These forests are also sacred to Tribal communities who have cared for them for generations. Any plan should respect Tribal sovereignty and their role in land stewardship.

Please stand with the forests, communities, and wildlife that depend on them. Keep the Northwest Forest Plan strong.