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Comments: As someone who recreates outdoors regularly, lives in a rural area and sees how much value resilient, well-managed national forests add to our local and national economies, I am strongly opposed to Northwest Forest Plan Amendment #64745. Opening up hundreds of thousands of acres of gorgeous PNW forest to logging is the absolute worst action we can take at this time in our world's history, where working forests are needed now more than ever.

Mature forests in the PNW generate considerable wealth from tourists and outdoor enthusiasts like me every year, sequester thousands of tons of carbon that would otherwise be released into our atmosphere, and support incredible biodiversity. Drastically increasing logging in these forests would undermine all that these forests do for us and exacerbate the climate disasters millions of Americans like me are already dealing with by increasing the likelihood of catastrophic wildfires (greater windspeed through more clearcut areas facilitates rapid spread of fire). Please, protect our economy, jobs, ways of life, and exceptional American natural heritage by rejecting Northwest Forest Plan Amendment #64745.