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Comments: Dear Forest Service Administrator

Forest Plan Amendment 6475 as it relates to tree girth/dimension is a wholly unacceptable assault on a critical resource. This forest sequesters more carbon than any other place on the planet, provides irreplaceable habitat for numerous species, and offers solace and recreation for those of us who live in or near it.

This is undoubtedly a profit grab by large timber companies which have promoted it as a necessary thinning and local employment opportunity. As per usual, it is not the kind of forest practice which they employ on their own private forest lands. There, they want to grow their trees to a much more lucrative size while they pillage public lands at prices so low it is an embarrassment.

The sections of the Amendment which relate to Indigenous Peoples should be decoupled from the proposed rule and handled separately with a separate series of public hearings.

The NFS is an institution, which through the actions of its highly qualified and dedicated staff, is held in high regard by coastal dwellers. Implementation of this amendment would seriously tarnish its reputation, and compromise its ability to carry out its mission.