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Comments: Please continue to protect our forests because their health directly affects our health. We need healthy forests, so please:

- *retain the logging threshold to 80 yr stands
- * limit clearing to the areas near homes and cities in order to mitigate catastrophic fires
- * increase carbon sequestration by protecting old growth stands and stands of mature trees; this allows the complex ecology needed for soil health which, in turn, sequesters vast amounts of carbon and decreases the release of greenhouse gasses that result from poor soils.
- * continue your wonderful engagement to Tribes in co-stewarding our planet's health. In line with this, keep them independent of any of the alternative proposed plans
- * include the value of clean water supplies, recreation opportunities that forests provide in an EIS; their economic importance lies in much more than just their timber.