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Comments: My husband and I have vacationed extensively in the Pacific Northwest, particularly Olympic National Park, and all along the Washington Coast. For years we also volunteered in many state campgrounds, working as hosts and docents, the latter a couple of times at North Head Lighthouse. In our travels and backpacking I often felt heartbroken at the vast acres of clear-cut, a lot of it old growth at one time. Now there is so little old growth left, and it is crucial to the health of our climate, which is already threatened to the breaking point. How can you consider money over sustainability of this planet, our only home?

Please consider the big picture. Do not discontinue forest protections for the short term gains of profits for the timber industry.

Thank you, Marilea Lee