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Comments: I grew up in these old growth forests, my childhood was shaped by the comfort and beauty i found within the forest behind my home and surrounding my elementary school. Oregon forests were my playground and my sanctuary, my church and my school. I taught my children to love and respect their natural surroundings through play and hikes and rest in these forests. Beyond my personal attachment to these forests they provide vital fish and wildlife habitat, they store carbon, they provide clean water.

The proposed amendments would weaken protections for the this essential ecosystem and jeopardize species like the spotted owls and salmon. The proposed amendments that prioritize commercial logging over ecological health and climate action are devastating and threaten the future we all have been working towards, a cleaner future, a greener future. One that preserves biodiversity, clean water and all the climate benefits that these forests provide. We must protect our forests for out future, for our grandchildren and their grandchildren.