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Comments: I am a forest user and subscriber. I am a customer who relies on sound forest management. I feel that the planning of forest use and misuse has left out most of the people and the critters that use the forest. Commercial forestry has turned out countryside into a tinderbox and we need to preserve our WET forestland. Wet and rainforest are not supported by commercial use. We need less commercial thinning and fewer roads. The idea that roads are firebreaks was pretty much destroyed by videos coming out of the Archie Creek fire. We do not need "thinning" of old growth, nor do we need "salvage logging" in old growth or any stand older than 100 years.

THe current practices of corporate ownership do not support sustainable communities. How many timber sale dollars stay local and how many go elsewhere from timber harvest? The Coast Range Association has a "Building Wealth" report that the entire state population should read. I totally support the evidence produced by CRA and strongly suggest that you read and absorb their comments on the DEIS. Please fully consider their extensive research and comments in making your decisions.

Bring in relevant tribes in making decisions.

Cutting old growth is just not good science for ANYONE or perhaps any living organism. Now or in the future. We have destroyed the answers to many mysteries already. Medicines and microbes have value in things we haven't even known to ask yet. A million lives or a million dollars in answers is still in the ancient forest and beginning in our altered aging plantations.

Consider the Assets and liabilities of the the people who make up the largest potion of our rural population and how Corporate use and abuse of timber is reflected there. Until the distribution of income issue is solved in the U.S. the livability of Oregon's rural communities will be a problem felt in the deepest pockets of the wealthy. Affected industries like finance, insurance, real estate, rental and leasing will never thrive. Professional and Business services will have no paying customers and they will fail. Oregon's Educational services, health care, and social assistance are already bearing the brunt of the skimming of every timber dollar off to the global economy.

But above all, we must consider the effects on our climate that mitigation of "timbering" must bring. Further we need to consider that "Public Land is stolen land" a concept that marauder and slayer of timber everywhere, Tim Freeman seems to be gobbstopped by. Public land of every flavor and its resources belong to the indigenous people and should therefore be returned to their management. It is probable that the Forest Service may be disabled by the current administration and if we survive the practices that ensue then I suggest as rapidly as possible we pursue the "Land Back" policies that have yet to be drawn up but some small prototypical gestures have been completed. In closing, I recommend reading "Beyond Wood: The Case for Forests and Against Logging" which addresses the fact that trees grow slower than money. The current use of forests is wasteful and ignorant and the DEIS has its work cut out for it in wasted valuable life units better spent shifting their focus from logging the last remaining old growth Forests to seeking to recover more older forest habitat and innoculating the plantations with fungus and bacteria, moss and natural mutants that exist nowhere else. The Forest Service should be pursuing a series of practices that reduce or eliminate invasive species like Himalayan Blackberries and European earthworms infections carried by the logger vector.

But, in its dubious "wisdom" the DEIS puts forth really bad plans that only support the idea that a forest is a corn crop and men can "manage" it better than anyone, in spite of the fact that they are not indigenous nor dwellers or lovers of a forest.

Take care of Forest service DEIS planners!! Educate yourself by experiencing the economic research submitted by the Coast Range Association and integrate it deeply and widely into the future design.

If not you are very likely to experience the new Environmental Backlash Litigation that the likes of which have not been seen since Nixon was in charge.

Your decision on a plan must consider the deterioration of Oregon air quality, Natural areas littered with destruction of fauna and flora, and urban water supplies contaminated with dangerous "impurities" that affect the

small towns economies with no recompense by global bullies.

Please consider fully embracing the science of economy and culture afforded you freely by the Coast Range Association submissions and note the newest materials reveal several missed issues and science studies. Please be a responsible project official.