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Comments: Opening over 800,000 acres of old growth and mature forests for logging is short-sighted and harmful for us and for future generations. These old forests provide mitigation from global warming for the benefit of the Pacific Northwest, the entire United States, and the entire globe.

We have so little left and protecting our older forests is in our best interest, far beyond short-term profits. Please do not open them for logging.

Not only are they essential for the health of our planet, they are home to wildlife and a haven for people, contributing to tourism. Time in nature, in the depth and beauty of our forests and lands is essential to our individual and collective well-being.

I can't imagine the detrimental impact of banning future protection of our forests. I have to ask what right do we have to impose such restrictions on generations to come and I am fully opposed to such action.

I ask that all decision-making includes tribal participation.

I stand for protecting our old growth and mature forests and I am opposed to the proposed amendment. Please do not proceed with this harmful pathway.