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Comments: Please stop all attempts to log our public forests. These forests are for the people and most people do not want our forests logged. We need to preserve our forests and let them grow old and wild for the following reasons:

- 1. our forests sequester huge amounts of carbon. The older the trees, the more carbon they sequester.
- 2. the living soil in our forests supports huge amounts of life. Logging disrupts and destroys forest soil.
- 3. logged forests cause more fires as it becomes easier for fire to spread when wind holes are formed.
- 4. Forests are home to a large and diverse number of species who rely on them. We need to support the biodiversity in this tie of ecological destruction.
- 5. Forests provide a refuge and tourist attraction for thousands of people, and increase the well being of those who enter.
- 6. Forests enhance and support a healthy water cycle.
- 7. Forests clean our air and water which has been harmed from industrial pollution for many year.
- 8. We need to cut our exploitation of the Earth, increase conservation and instead increase recycling of wood and other products
- 9. People who work in the logging industry need to be retrained to work in more productive uses of their skills, including providing education and protection for this critical habitat.

It is critical to save our remaining forests from the ecological and climate emergency occurring before our eyes. Please be a forest hero and save our forests.