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Comments: Hello,

I do not support the Blue Mountains Forest Plan Revision.

I believe that logging this area and extracting the timber is a shortsighted poorly planned idea. Oregon is a state that can pride itself on intact wilderness for the entire nation to enjoy, one that hosts a diverse array of plants, animals and insects. Decimating this wild area would destroy the things Oregonians like myself love about this beautiful state for short term gain. If left standing this area will bring in much more money, year after year in tourism then logging it once would.

I am an avid hiker, backpacker, and fisherman. These public forests, streams and mountains are unlike anywhere else. I want my children and their children to be able to explore what this state has to offer. Large old growth trees are more important then ever. With rising temperatures, we need all of the established trees we can get. It keeps temperatures down on the forest floor and increases the resilience of forests after wildfire.

Please help keep Oregon wild, preserve the beauty that this state has to offer, for Oregon residents and Americans everywhere, we deserve to have places to take breaks from our long weeks, a place to rest.

I want my child to be able to see an old growth stand. If not for any one else, preserve it for them.

Thank you.