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Dear BLM,

I am a young voice who is extremely concerned about the proposition of increased timber harvesting in our old growth forests. I have been a Southern Oregon resident for the last 13 -14 years. For the sake of the people and the Earth, I strongly urge BLM to consider and choose the no action alternative in the WOPR decision.

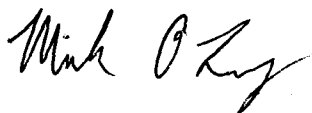
There are many large issues revolving around this proposal. Our ancient forests provide homes for countless animals and harbor vital natural cycles for our earth. Increased timber harvesting will disturb these natural and important processes. Global warming is also a large concern under this bold proposal. We must take into consideration the global climate changes that are taking place. I urge you to think about your children's children's children. It would be a degenerative choice to undergo this harvesting. It would directly affect the people and would further cripple the Earth.

Please take the time to listen to the people's concerns, doubts, and suggestions about the WOPR decision. Choose the no-action alternative so we can shift our federal land policies and improve our forest management. We as a people rely on these ancient holy grounds for life and self sustainability. It is an integral piece of our planet Earth.

We must begin focusing on developing more stable and self sufficient industries. We need to protect what is left of our ancient forests. Consider the future generations. Second growth forests could be thinned instead and we could still safeguard wildfire. However this policy would be criminal and degenerative to the state of this earth and all of it's inhabitants.

Thank you,

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