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To BLM Western Oregon Plan Revisions

I am writing to encourage you to maintain current management (the NO action alternative). I respect your knowledge + experience ~~that~~ and would urge you to be true to a bigger perspective - one with a more long range vision. Too often decisions are made to address immediate concerns + gratifications (as in the proposed "action alternatives") I'm sure there are those who can eloquently or fanatically express the reasons not to log all of the old growth forests (clearcut) + the effects it would have on the salmon bearing creeks + streams. ~~that~~ I will leave the wording of that to them as I'm sure you are well aware of it also. My Dad was an avid outdoorsman + I grew up in the company of many wildlife biologists, outdoor writers + hunters + Fish + Game Managers - people whose passion was enjoying, managing + preserving the forests - not only for their pleasure but for future generations. I grew up spending a lot of time in the

woods of western Pennsylvania... when I
made Oregon my home ~ 15 yrs ago it was
in part because of the natural + preserved
beauty of the woods here - it reminded me
of Pennsylvania before it was all logged.
I live in the Mohawk Valley. We were
flooded twice + I have no doubt the clear
cut logging practices have accelerated the
flooding + mudslides etc. that many
residents are faced with. It is the job of
the trees to hold the moisture vital to
the forests health - it helps take heat +
intensity from fire because of all the moisture
they contain. As you know we are all
one delicately balanced eco system -
everything affects everything - I am
not an extremist I only ask that you
be respectful - it is part of your
responsibility for all of us - now +
in the future. May you have the wisdom +
strength to make decisions accordingly

All the best!
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