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Dear Managers,

Please reject the outrageous possibility that WOPR would open up more of our precious last Old Growth to logging. Many young plantations need thinning and can supply needed wood while improving the stand and protecting communities from wildfire.

The Northwest Forest Plan involved hundreds of hours of research and input from diverse stakeholders, reaching a compromise bring essential but minimal protection to our forests. I can't believe this broadly supported document could be so casually discarded – threatening clean water, endangered species, essential wildlife corridors, salmon runs, recreation and economic concerns and general liveability.

Please protect all remaining Old Growth. Refuse to build more roads. Maintain maximum protection for streams & rivers. Emphasize thinning for greater health as well as fire protection.

I know a specific area (T. 19S. R. 06W. Sec. 17), a Late Successional Reserve/Late Successional Management Area, fondly named "Grandmothers of Wolf Creek" and used for environmental education for students in Eugene and communities west of Eugene. I am sure there are many other beloved areas essential both for education and to the ecosystem — and also, of course, for decreasing fire danger. Please save them all.

Thank you

Sincerely yours,

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