To: Bureau of Land Management

Subject: Comments for Western Oregon Plan Revision (WOPR)

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Dear Sir,

Oregon is a special place on the planet. Unfortunately the air quality here is declining. With the loss of more trees our lives become more endangered. Tourists don't come here to see logged-over (and un-replanted) areas! It's time our state took a strong stance for other jobs besides lumbering to help people who have been in this industry.

Please protect these gentle giants who give us life. The future will reward you.

The WOPR proposes to inflame the controversy by increasing old-growth clearcutting for a short-term economic fix. The WOPR puts water quality at risk and would destroy some of Oregon's most special places. We should protect our remaining mature and old-growth forests on public land, not clearcut these natural treasures.

It is disappointing that at a time when public consensus for old-growth protection and second-growth thinning has never been stronger, the BLM is proposing to clearcut forests older than our nation and turn complex ecosystems into tree plantations most susceptible to severe wildfire.

Please protect remaining old-growth forests, focus active management of BLM lands in already logged-over areas, and create job opportunities in restoration thinning projects that benefit watersheds and generate wood products without multiplying past mistakes.

Sincerely,

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