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Western Oregon Plan Division
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Dear Sir/Madam:

I was a logger fifty years ago and believe me the damage to the land, creeks and rivers was terrible, and something needed to be done. Well, it was, and now it has gone way too far in the opposite direction.

The environmentalists are fanatical. Their attorneys are creating work for themselves. This state doesn't need to be all parks. There are parks now that nobody will ever see unless they fly over them. The burned timber left to rot, when it could be harvested and the land replanted, is a crime. There is enough land to have parks and have timber farms, cut and plant, to keep everyone happy except some extremists and their self-seeking attorneys. The environmentalists would like to see all the land left to burn, get disease or die of old age and rot. If we didn't have to spend so much money fighting the environmentalists to do things right, the money could be spent on reforestation, etc.

So many of the politicians are pushing for a vote instead of the sensible thing. It is a real shame. Common sense would do just fine.

Alternative #2 looks okay to me.

Sincerely,



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