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To whom it concerns: (which is really all of us)

I am writing this letter to oppose the Western Oregon Plan Revisions for our forrests.

Cutting as much of our old growth forrests as this plan proposes will have many negative consequences for us locally and statewide; perhaps , even globally.

Decreased streamside buffers will lead to increased runoff, leading to flooding, erosion and silting of streambeds necessary for salmon spawning and other wildlife habitat.

Replanting after cutting will require the spraying of chemicals which will contaminate the environment as well as principle water supplies for several cities. Also, the trees replanted will probably be all of one species, which does not provide a suitable habitat for a diversity of species necessary for a balanced ecosystem.

Then there is the issue of carbon storage in the forrest biomass which will be lost at this time of global warming.

I could go on, as others probably have. I just wanted to be heard on this issue of importance to all of us.

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