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Forest Regulatory Officers,

It greatly disturbs me that, only months after talking to a district ranger in central Oregon who explained in detail a forest management plan which will sustain the state for years to come, I have discovered that this same management plan will be revised in favor of the instant gratification of a rapacious timber industry. The innocuously-named Western Oregon Plan Revision (WOPR) isn't really management; it's massive, rapid consumption of some of the last intact ecosystems in this part of the world, ecosystems which will buffer against climate change, provide food, tourist-based income, jobs, and even national security in the form of antibiotic fungi such as Fomelopsis officianalis ~ one of the most potent anti-viral agents known, and found only in healthy, mature forests such as those here in southwest Oregon. Management would come in the form of preserving both wildlands and selectively harvested timber lands for ourselves and future generations. This region needs the jobs, both timber and tourist, as well as clean water, intact watersheds, and the plant and fungal medicines ~ a 3.7 billion dollar industry we can tap into, incidentally ~ in order to survive and be viable.

So please, continue to manage our forests: Reject the WOPR, save the funds that would have gone to road-building for developing industries which will take us into the next century. Your timely reply is much appreciated

Sincerely,

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