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To effectively deal with climate change, California forests must be healthy, include a substantial population of mature trees, and serve multiple purposes for wildlife and the ecosystem.

Any plan implementer must:

- Ensure that forest harvesting and thinning combined do not turn our forests into a carbon source**
- Significantly reduce clearcutting and plantations because clearcutting emits more GHG emissions than any other form of logging. Clearcutting and even-age management create dense young tree plantations that are highly susceptible to fire.**
- Prioritize and safeguard large trees because they store more carbon.**
- Prioritize and increase forest diversity to enhance resilience.**
- Retain non-hazardous dead trees as they store carbon and provide other benefits.**

Thank you!

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