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After spending decades of commenting on US Forest Plans in California , I am compelled to add my comments on the Forest Carbon Plan in our great State forests.

So much damage has been done to the state forests that plans to effectively deal with climate change , California forests must stay healthy , include a substantial population of mature trees , and serve multiple purposes for both the ecosystem and all wildlife that live in those ecosystems.

The plan must ensure that forest harvesting and thinning combined do not turn our forests into only a carbon source.

The plan must significantly reduce clearcutting because it emits more GHG emissions than any other form of logging . Clearcutting and even-age tree management create dense young tree plantations that are more susceptible to wildfire.

The plan must also prioritize and safeguard larger trees as they store more carbon. Priority should also be given to increase forest diversity to enhance resilience .

Thank you for allowing me to add comments to the ongoing protection of California's great forests for generations to come.

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