The timber industry is reaping their harvest of poor management and their insatiable greed at the expense of the natural environment and the communities around the northwest.

In my mind this new tax should include a loophole to or an exemption if the percent of tax to be paid is instead used to promote sustainable timber harvesting such as selective cutting and eliminating clear cutting. Apply credits for the sponsorship of alternative wood fiber technologies or environmental issues similar to what the oil industry is doing now.

The exponential growth of emerging technology is going to put them out of business eventually as alternative fibers are in the works as we speak. However they also need to pay back for what they have taken and this bill will allow that.