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Oregon's Forests are going up in smoke. They are not currently being managed, they are being wasted. They once provided many jobs and revenue for all of Oregon. We had ample funding for all the state's needs including education, emergency services and our roads. Locking up our forests for carbon credits is a joke. It does not offset the tremendous loss due to forest fires and certainly doesn't eliminate month's of smoke we endure. And, what about the loss of wildlife? We need to make our forests sustainable again. Thinning, some clear-cuts, some left in wilderness, some for recreation. MANAGE OUR FORESTS! STOP BURNING them up. What is currently being done is inexcusable.