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It's not rocket science if you treat our state forests as tree gardens you lose the biodiversity of living ecosystems that benefit fish, wildlife, air quality and water supplies. As well as a buffer against the damages of climate change. In the long term if you want to support the timber economy then the long range outlook of forest health is imperative, there are no shortcuts. And that's not including the economies of fishing, hunting, tourism and outdoor recreation to the equation.