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Since such a large portion of America's clean water comes from national forests...it is simple to see that taking care of the forests must be a top priority. Large clear cuts are the opposite. And with the ever changing climates and breaking average high temperature year after year; it is clear that storing carbon in forests is important in this additional way. Forests aren't and can't be just about profits, particularly when factoring the costs the taxpayers get stuck with to create roads. The trees, at auction, generate precious little money to the Treasury because costs eat up such a big portion of the money generated.

More care must be taken not to rush into fool hearty situations where making mistakes in haste leaves us worse off. Yeah...simple at that.