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Hello good day,

Understanding the Facts and working in the forest industry for 24 years up and down the coast from Hope to Alaska , 11yrs has been with Western forest products on Vancouver Island and knowing the Strict regulations we have to follow there are always going to be Old growth areas such as OMG's and Winter Ungulate ranges within a Tree Farm license area, also there are S1 & S2 streams with lots of untouched beautiful Old growth along them that will stand the test of time, as well as the Newer Big tree policy in place now, I'll add that Vancouver Island is 55% protected in Parks and I go to enjoy these areas from time to time as well as many others and Second growth Forests are quite enjoyable to. In my honest thoughts with the protected areas out there NOT to be disturbed forever is a great thing and special feature areas have been put aside to enjoy within TFL areas is great.

We cannot lose any more land base area as a Farming industry and more Old growth into protection would extremely hurt the Island Farms and people that rely on it, I'll also note that the areas mostly Farmed in an environmentally friendly way are at times at the End of there life cycle and are creating carbon dioxide not oxygen anymore, the new seedlings that area planted are the best bet for a better forest later and Oxygen into the Environment sooner than later...

Thank you,

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