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Hello,

- 1) I believe that old growth forests are professionals at managing themselves.
- 2) I think the focus should be on fragmented areas and transition/edge habitats to and from old growth forests. More research and data collection in these areas to enhance and restore habitats- encouraging more site-specific research as well. A focus on habitat features that support predators and keystone species (ie. birds and their niches).
- 3) Consultants and professionals should NOT be scared of losing work when speaking up or providing more environmentally sustainable ideas that may cost more or negatively effect the project in some aspect, including recommending the project being shut-down. More engagement with locals, communities, first nations and paralleling projects. EA should be easier to read, more comprehensive (including more research that is specific to the area) and reasonable/attainable goals- that are enforced or monitored.
- 4) Better planning to include multi resource use on linear developments (ie pipelines along roads). Start prioritizing environment with health and safety- should the environments health and safety be outtrumped by humans health and safety?
- 5) Use our wildland fire fighters- hire biologist on the crews for data collection (multi use crews).