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Watersheds would greatly benefit from bigger buffers. Water quality would be enhanced for all life, human and non-human. More pollutants would be filtered out. Erosion would be reduced. More nutrients would be available for aquatic life. Habitat would be increased for forest creatures. Watersheds would be better able to filter and deliver water downstream. Fire resistance would be increased. The larger the buffer, the greater the protection.

Letting the land alone is the right thing to do.