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I understand that better protections of these headwater streams is being recommended and I wanted to express my support for these changes. Climate change is clearly leading to warmer, drier conditions in Washington. Given the relatively dramatic shift in this critical variable, WA state must move to compensate for this by adding more canopy shade protection to these headland waterways.

Warmer water is lethal for our anadromous fish species and is also causing health issues for people downstream, including more contaminated drinking water. While this proposal may shave a few dollars off of timber industry pockets, it will by no means halt them from continuing to make profits in producing wood products.

Avoiding a real ecological disaster (expedited by climate change) vs. marginally shaving profits of industry. If you are working for the people of WA, the former is clearly the choice.

Thank you,

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