



April 18, 2013

Dear Mr. Browder:

This letter concerns the 80 year THP filed by the Mendocino Redwood Company (MRC) .

Eighty years seems like a long time, but to Mother Nature it isn't. However, and this is a BIG however, when humans tamper with the natural order of things, such as creating global warming and weather disturbances , alot of significant changes can happen, changes we, the humans could never foresee. We hardly know what will happen tomorrow or next month, let alone 80 years from now.

With that in mind, I make the following comments, and I hope common sense will prevail.

It's obvious that filing such a long-term plan will only necessitate one comprehensive inventory of plants and animals, thereby saving MRC much time and money. But populations move around, what was there in 2013 may not be there in 2093, or if it is, its numbers may be greatly reduced, i.e. endangered. Or a breeding bird may have moved into that habitat that wasn't there in the past...we just don't know.

Therefore, it is sheer folly - and arrogance- and disrespect to the forest's inhabitants to allow logging to go on for 80 years with no regard with what is happening to those beings that depend on that forest for their survival.

I implore you to deny this plan, have MRC comply with a 20 year plan. Respect for the forest's inhabitants is part of good forestry. I hope you agree.

I'd be happy to hear your response to my concerns. Thank you.

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