

standards with no public approval process in place to monitor environmental or ecological degradation in the old growth forest. Western Forest Products holds the 'Timber Lease' on the old growth trees in the lower East Creek Valley, meaning they have no obligation to work towards standards required by a 'Tree Farm License' where planting, and cultivation of a second harvest would be the goal.

Regardless, the old growth temperate rainforest of East Creek will be blasted for logging roads, the trees will be cut down, yarders will drag the logs across the watershed, and the ecosystem will be destroyed. Based on what I witnessed last week, the public does not know this is happening today, and the Ministry of Forests has approved it.

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