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RE: **THP 1-15-042 SON (Dogwood).**

Dogwood III lacks even the most basic survey information on seasonal wetlands – the floodplain of the Gualala River. It also lacks scientific information on rare plants and protected wildlife species such as steelhead trout.

Friends of Gualala River (FoGR) and their allies recently prevailed in court. The timber harvest plan called Dogwood has been found twice to fail to meet California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requirements for failing to evaluate project alternatives with less environmental impacts. FoGR also won on the lack of a Cumulative Impact study.

The floodplain of the Gualala River is too important to the health of this impaired river. Logging of redwoods trees in the floodplain will do great harm.

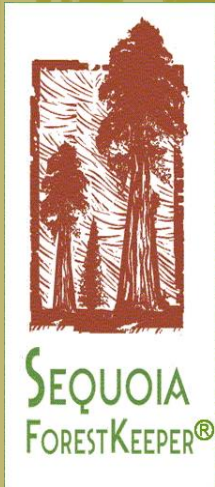
We ask that this Timber Harvest Plan, Dogwood THP 1-15-042 SON, be subject to greater review. We request Dogwood be elevated for policy-level review by the CAL FIRE headquarters and the Board of Forestry.

Sequoia ForestKeeper® is against logging near the floodplain. The fish, the wildflowers such as Coast Lilies, the wildlife such as Western Pond Turtles and CA Red-legged Frog will all be impacted by Dogwood THP 1-15-042 SON, this special place, which we consider a Magical Forest, shouldn't be logged.

Respectfully submitted,



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