



OLD-GROWTH FOREST
NETWORK

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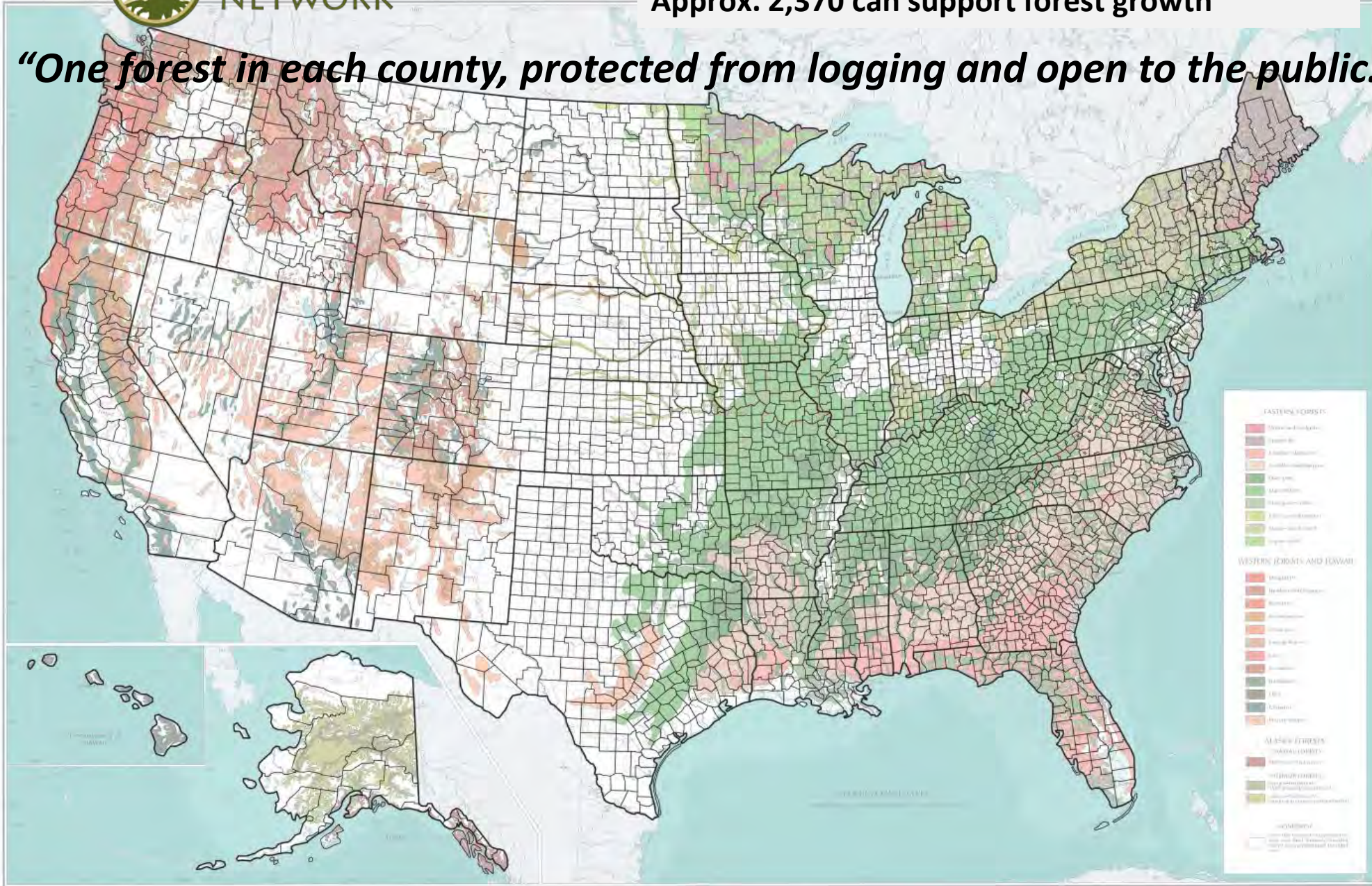
What can we do to reverse the destruction of forests and improve the planet for future generations?



OLD-GROWTH FOREST NETWORK

Out of 3,140 counties
Approx. 2,370 can support forest growth

“One forest in each county, protected from logging and open to the public.”



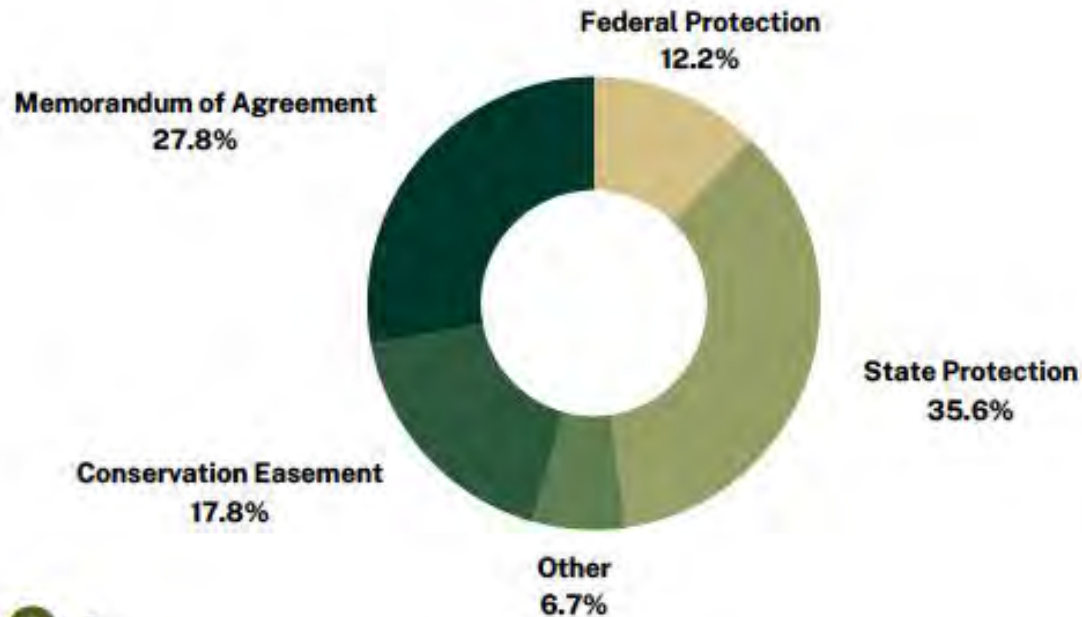
NETWORK FOREST PROTECTIONS

Old-Growth Forest Network



A forest must be protected from commercial logging to join the Old-Growth Forest Network. Some forests are already well-protected, such as National Parks, but others increase their protection from logging when they join the Network.

Primary Type of Protection



200+

Network Forests

Ownership of Forests in the Network

Nonprofit	55
Municipality	25
County	24
State	86
Federal	36



B. Kelley



Fischer Old-Growth Forest

Cornell Plantations

Tompkins County, NY



10

31 acres- 1997
10 acres – 2000
Dedication –2012
+18 acres – 2015
+41 acres – 2017
+81 acres – 2023

Success breeds success!





East Tennessee State University

University forests are important
and often under protected!



**Paul Smith's College
Franklin County, NY**





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Franklin Co., New York





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Trees purify our drinking water

Save the Drew FOREST

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**College Lodge,
Chautauqua County,
New York**



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SUNY Fredonia  Western New York Land Conservancy

Preserve university forests with easements!



Camp Oty'Okwa
Big Brothers, Big Sisters

Hocking Co., OH
200 acres #59

Increase access to 'saved' forests



Nature Conservancy
Cordrey Tract – Nassawango Creek Preserve
Wicomico County, Maryland # 50
Find special forests, then find a purchaser



Sulzbacher Demonstration Forest
Bedford County, PA

Pennsylvania Forest Owners

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Save forests as 'reference areas'



Open Space Commissions!

Annual town meeting in Lyme, CT, May 2021, where citizens voted 202 out of 212 in favor of a generous Open Space Fund.



131 Johnston Preserve
New London County, Connecticut
250 acres

Purchased by the town of Lyme for 1.4 million dollars; sixty percent of that funding came from the state, and a portion came from The Nature Conservancy.
Funding is available once you have the property and the vision!





Wicomico Co., Maryland
Community Forest

Protected?
**Forever Wild Easements for
Town-owned forests!**



Advocacy

Education

Pocohantas Co., West Virginia

Watoga State Park (ten thousand acres!) #69

Most state parks are not protected from logging





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Schoolhouse
Woods.
Wye Island NRA

Queen Anne's
Co., Maryland

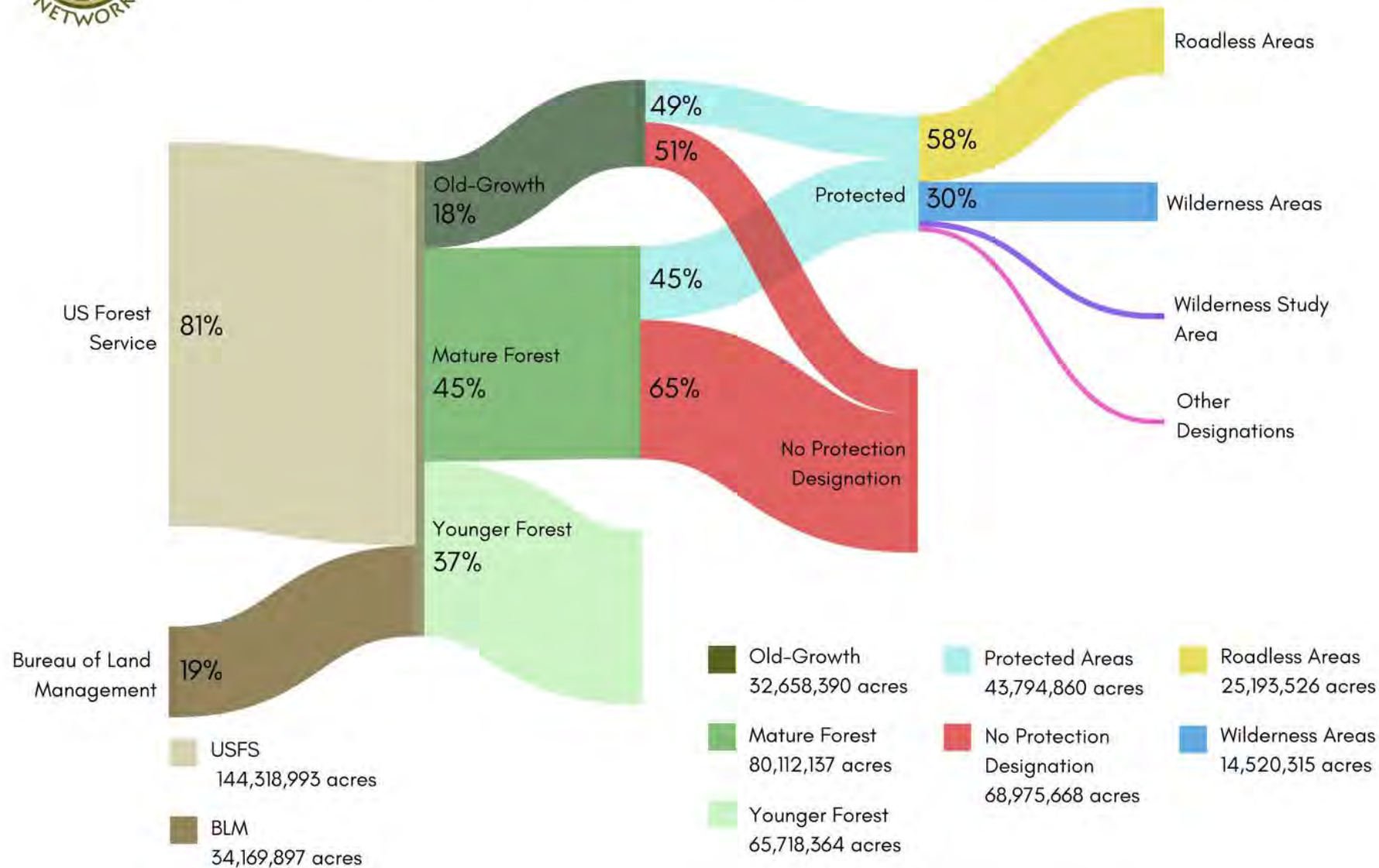
Legislation!

Photo by Jerry Jackson
Baltimore Sun newspaper





Federal Mature & Old-Growth Forest Inventory Estimates



Mature and Old-Growth Forests: Definition, Identification, and Initial Inventory on Lands Managed by the Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management

Fulfillment of Executive Order 14072, Section 2(b)

Estimate values drawn from FS-1215a Mature and Old-Growth Forests: Definition, Identification, and Initial Inventory on Lands Managed by the Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management. Forest land includes areas meeting the FIA forest land definition. Does not include 3.4 million acres of forested land managed by the Forest Service and 27.5 million acres of potentially forested land managed by the BLM in Alaska. Forest Service wilderness areas and Interior Alaska have not yet been inventoried by FIA but are in progress for inclusion in future inventories.

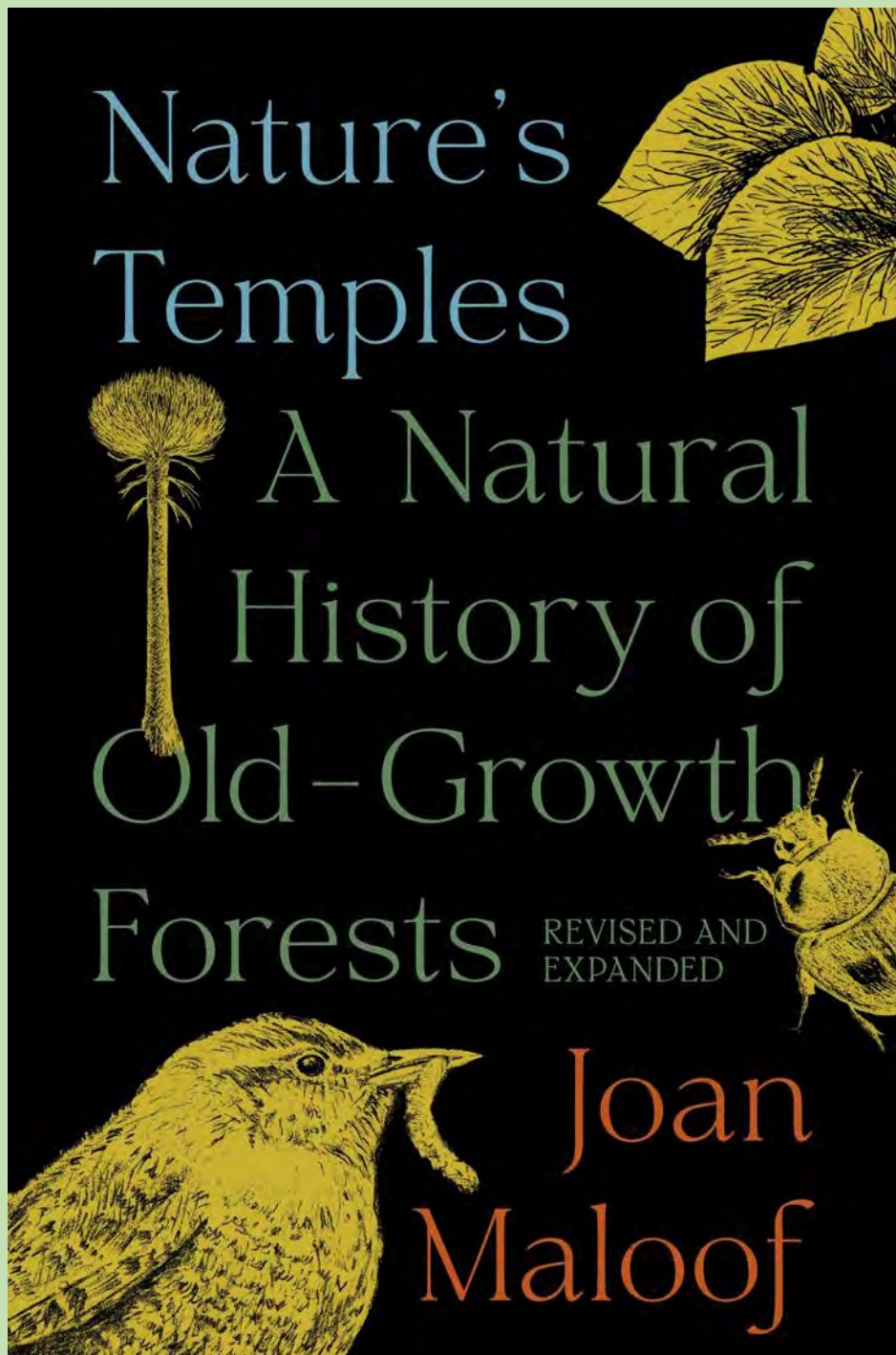


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Let's work together!

We need to retain forests, especially older, native forests, and build a community of people who care about them.

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