Questions regarding the Forest Carbon report

To what degree are forest soil carbon stores depleted over time by repeated commercial harvesting?

What is the proper baseline to calculate the net carbon emissions of Oregon forests? Should get credits for improvements on the current re-carbonization trajectory (made through better forestry practices) and deficits if we decline from our current trajectory through more carbon intensive practices?

To what degree are carbon emissions for severe forest fires reduced by forest thinning? What is the net carbon balance of these two activities when viewed together?

To what extent do logging restrictions in Oregon displace logging to other, more ecologically sensitive markets? What is the global net carbon balance of our forestry policies?

How can we account for the reestablishment of kelp forests in their historic, pre-fur trapping ranges, in our forest carbon balance calculations?

Respectfully submitted,

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