When redwood trees are damaged, due to logging or fire, new buds sprout from dormant trunks. These sprouts are genetic copies of the original tree. If redwoods are related in this way, how old do you think this forest really is?

The old-growth trees in this area were logged until 1927. Today's forest is crowded with “young” redwoods that sprouted up like grass after logging stopped.

It will take centuries for many of these trees to die, creating the spaciousness of an old forest. In five hundred years, the remaining trees could reach 300 feet in height. The spreading canopy will shut out more light and the understory will eventually attain old-growth conditions.

This protected forest provides an opportunity for your descendants to observe and enjoy old-growth redwood forest recovery.

Plants of the Redwood Forest

- **Tan Oak**
  *Lithocarpus densiflorus*

- **Redwood Sorrel**
  *Oxalis oregana*

- **False Lily of the Valley**
  *Maianthemum dilatatum*

- **Rhododendron**
  *Rhododendron macrophyllum*

- **Thimbleberry**
  *Rubus parviflorus*