

Dear Marion,

The Amazon rainforest is in immediate peril. More than three-quarters of it has already lost some of its ability to bounce back from disruptions like drought and fire. A healthy, intact rainforest stabilizes the world's climate by absorbing carbon dioxide from the atmosphere. We must work <u>faster</u> to protect the Amazon's endangered ecosystem if we hope to mitigate climate change. The alternative—irreversible changes to our physical environment—will alter life as we know it.

The health of the Amazon rainforest—an area as large as the contiguous United States represents one of the planet's most important tipping elements. If a vast ecological system like the Amazon is disrupted beyond its ability to rebound—hits the tipping point—it could bring our Earth's systems to the edge of a global cliff.

The time for action is now. Your support of Rainforest Trust's Conservation Action Fund will enable us to take swift conservation action in the Amazon, and other rainforests, when and where it is needed most—before these irreplaceable ecosystems and the species that call them home are gone forever.

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For the rainforests,

Leslie VanSant

Vice President of Philanthropy

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