Climate Action Reserve's (CAR) Forestry Protocol endorses clearcutting for carbon offsets:

Are these "green" carbon credits?

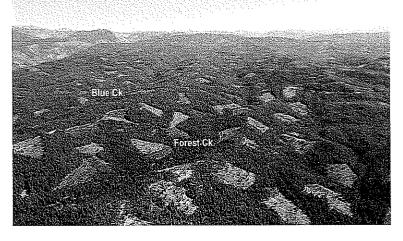
1. Typical clearcut that would be allowed under the rules in California, across the United States, and potentially internationally.



2. Clearcut soil disturbance and erosion. Clearcutting reduces carbon stores *more than fire*.



3. Clearcutting slash is burned on-site in huge amounts, increasing carbon releases.



4. Forest next to clearcuts can also be cleared after five years, according to the Protocol, as is happening in the Sierra Nevada.