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Comments: Dear Ranger Innes:

The New Hampshire Sierra Club would like to join Standing Trees and the Wonalancet Preservation Association's already filed comment letter regarding the U.S. Forest Service's ("Forest Service") Draft Environmental Assessment and Preliminary Finding of No Significant Impact ("Draft EA") for the Sandwich Vegetation Management Project (the "Project"). A copy will be uploaded.

The New Hampshire Sierra Club is a non-profit member-supported, public interest organization that promotes conservation of New Hampshire's natural environment by influencing public policy decisions-legislative, administrative, legal, and electoral. There are more than 15,000 Sierra Club members and supporters in New Hampshire and over 2.1 million across the country.

Many of our member-supporters live near the Sandwich Mountains or travel to them to enjoy the natural environment they afford. Untouched mature forests will help mitigate the climate emergency. This view is shared by President Biden who signed an executive order calling for mature trees in the National Forest to be left uncut and to continue sequestering carbon. The NH Sierra Club strongly feels the National Forest surrounding the Sandwich Wilderness should be persevered as it is- not clear cut, burned or fragmented in any way.

Sincerely,

Jerry Curran

NH Sierra Club

Chapter Chair