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Comments: I see that the forest lands will be reviewed to see if they are unsuitable for oil, gas and coal leases. I would ask that lands already considered as unsuitable for oil, gas and or coal leases under the current plan also be evaluated for their suitability. Oil, gas and mining technology has advanced significantly which could result in lands considerable unsuitable in the past actually being suitable utilizing better modern methods.

I believe that protecting the peoples ability to produce energy, minerals and other products from public lands is critical to our nations well being. In fact I believe it to be a national security issue of the highest importance.

Relying on foreign entities to supply our nation with critical energy, minerals and materials is unthinkable. The obvious benefits of having the supply of critical items produced within our country should be heavily considered while developing this new forest plan. Thank You. Jared Young.

<https://www.energy.gov/fecm/articles/3-ways-fossil-energy-ensures-us-energy-security>

ATTACHMENT: Critical Materials Rare Earths Supply Chain: A Situational White Paper