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Comments: To Whom it May Concern,

The location of the proposed shooting range is less than one mile from the Appalachian Trail (AT) and approximately one-half mile from both the Brasstown Bald and Mark Trail Wilderness Area boundaries.

I believe this matters because I am concerned about the noise generated by the shooting range, as the gun reports will likely be heard from the AT as well as by hunters and campers in the two nearby Wilderness Areas. The actual need for such a project is questionable because there is already an existing shooting range 3.5 miles from the proposed site in nearby Towns County.

Therefore, I don't believe this shooting range is needed and I request the plans be scuttled. As a hiker/camper, the last thing hikers and campers need is loud noise while they are trying to enjoy the beauty and peace the National forest provides.