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Comments: Shannon FarmerLufkin, TX 75904shannonfarmer@trentu.ca11/30/2019Dear Mr. Potts, I will try to not let anger direct my thoughts towards your request to exploit our precious Texas National Forests. However, this news hurts in a way that is comparable to losing somebody you love. Indeed, I love these trees like they are family. They are the trees that breathed life into me from the moment I was born. I don't just appreciate the trees; I also know a lot about them. Currently, I am working as an ecosystem management technician with extensive field experience working around oil and gas wells as well as forest replanting efforts and I can tell you this decision will have severe implications for both top- down and bottom- up ecosystem collapse. When the forests and people suffer, I promise you will be to blame. If this initiative goes through, you (and the people you support), will not have my vote. - ever Thank you, Shannon Farmer