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Comments: Hi, I live in north hall county on a two acre lot adjacient to a 40 acre wooded area with several subdivisions within a 1-2 mile radius. We have been here for 35 years. I have always had a garden, honey bee hives (17 years), and several types of bird feeders. During the last 2-3 years, we have noticed a SIGNIFICANT decrease in our bird and insect populations. Both in quantity and diversity.

Birds include humming, cardinal, robin, chickadee, goldfinch, bluebird, wren, pileated woo pecker, flicker, house finch, wood thrush and many others. Our insect population also includes all of the usual north georgia species including wasps, butterflys, beetles, spiders etc.

My main point, concern, and suggestion is that a careful and broad based study of the wildlife and plant populations be conducted in the National Forests area of North Georgia before any major logging, burning, spraying, etc. begin. Thousands of plants and animals make up this beatiful diverse habit and are interdependent on each other. And so are we humans. Thank you.