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Comments: I am writing to express my concern about Foothills Landscape Project #52509. I visit and do research in the mountains of North Georgia, including the Cohutta WMA and Wilderness and surrounding areas.

It is important to me that the Forest Service be transparent with the public about planned logging, burning, or spraying in the areas I frequently visit and where I am conducting research. The Forest Service has always notified the public about specific projects and taken public feedback, and it is extremely important to me that this process continue.

I am especially concerned about logging projects, since my research relates to soil health and can be impacted by logging activities. I do support limited pesticide and herbicide application for species that are in danger, such as the eastern hemlock, but I believe that in many cases prescribed burning and other methods may be more suitable.

Thank you for considering my comments.