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Comments: Dear Supervisor Jewett,

While I thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Foothills Landscape Project in the Chattahoochee National Forest, I must tell you that I am outraged at how your agency is keeping US citizens in the dark regarding its plans. You are proposing to allow logging, conduct burns, and apply herbicides in the CNF, but you won't tell the residents of Georgia where these activities will occur or when.

I am a resident of Georgia, and visit the CNF on a regular basis to hike, camp, and fish. I want to know ahead of time, and be able to comment, if trails are going to be rerouted. As a local volunteer for the ATC, I have helped to maintain trails in the CNF. Georgia residents and visitors need to know when planning hikes and camping trips whether an area will be impacted by NFS activities. Our experience with previous NSF projects have not been very pleasant. Many projects do major harm to the project area, and result in unsightly blemishes on our beautiful Georgia mountains.

The NFS needs to include the public in site-specific decisions before implementing any projects. Logging, application of herbicides, and road work should be banned close to trails in the CNF. Anything less shows utter disrespect and contempt for Georgia residents who use the CNF.