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Comments: I am writing to support the belief that the Foothills Landscape Project is a very large Federal action that would significantly negatively impact both the human and natural environment of the area identified. Because of the impact moving ahead with the project as currently planned requires preparation of an EIS.

As a resident of White County that located in the Southern Blue Ridge Broadleaf Ecoregion dominated by Appalachian hardwood. The forest where I actually live is filled with hardwoods, more that pines. The proposed management prescriptions for the area defined within much of the proposed Foothills Restoration Plan don't comply with natural principles for composition, structure pattern and ecological processes for hardwoods. Planting pines won't take care of things.

Also other things such as restorative practices that support climate change need to be addressed in a different manner as well as recreation management that limits access when appropriate to protect the opportunity for solitude and protection of the natural habitat.

Again, the magnitude of this project needs further study and planning to correctly protect these precious natural lands.