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Comments: As stewards managing a national forest, the Forest Service should take a hard look at the environmental consequences of any plan. This requires gathering up-to-date data and scientific information from independent sources.
Priority should be placed on preserving the native forest from encroaching industrial uses (prescribed burning and timbering, horizontal drilling and fracturing). A plan that does not do so will lead to an increasing presence of invasive species, water and air quality degradation, and diminished scenic quality of view sheds.
Wayne National Forest officials have a duty to those of us who live near or use the Wayne for recreation - and to the forest itself - to do all they can to protect air quality, biodiversity, water resources, and old growth in the Wayne.