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Comments: I was thoroughly disappointed to hear about a proposal of this magnitude and use of such out of date methods. Clearcutting is not a sustainable harvesting method and is economically inefficient. These forests provide enormous amounts of value in a variety of ways, a major contribution is ecosystem services meaning benefits to humans from the environment. These services include but are not limited to carbon sequestration, air and water purification, and nutrient cycling. Due to the increasing need climate action, the last thing we should be doing is falling back on old habits that will only expedite the predicted impacts of climate change. We are at a point where we need to develop with the long term in mind, clear cutting on this scale would be damaging to recreation, wildlife, and ecosystem services. I urge you to have a full evaluation of this land done by an environmental economist skilled in the valuation of ecosystem resources. Please do not make a decision out of greed for short term profits that will rob the future.