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Comments: Ms Lauren Stull,

District Ranger

Dear Ms Stull,

I live in the Pedlar Mills area of the Pedlar River. I read with consternation in my paper, The News and Advance, your office the plan for the regeneration of the woods in the Pedlar River watershed which include the opening of canopy. In other words, removing and selling old growth trees, leave some standing trees, the burning of the remaining and the opening of ancillary roads to do that. After thinking on how are you going to archive that, my concern and questions are: How are you planning to control the erosion and silting of the river? How are you planning to protect the endangered wildlife species in the area? How are you planning to control the mechanical damages of trucks, tractors and cranes running around to collect, burn and extract the trees? If any standing trees are going to be preserve, how are you planning to control the damages to them? Is there any contractor limitations on the amount of erosion, siltation or damaging to the remaining trees? Who is going to control that? Are there any limitations of the type and weight of equipment to be used? Any landscape restoration or reclamation effort, including removing of skid trails, landing sites, processing sites, etc. Are there going to be any post harvesting assessment of the project, including wild life, soil damages, soil compaction, siltation, etc? Thanks for your time.

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