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Comments: I regularly use this and many other National Forest public lands throughout Virginia. I have also used similar public lands in several states. All public lands I have used that adopted this sort of strategy in management have reapedtenfold benefits. Old growth is a necessary part of a forest but without diversity you cannot argue the native species will not thrive. simply put in 25 years in VA I have seen a decline in all types of wildlife on public lands due to lack of young forest. This is a good and necessary step to correcting years of mismanagement.