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Comments: I am concerned that Georgia's forest are viewed first as a source of revenue rather than a natural resource of beauty, education and entertainment. North Georgia is known for it's beautiful forests and amazing trails. We are the home state of the beginning of the iconic Appalachian Trail. Because of this we have many hikers, campers and backpackers come to visit this beautiful forest. If we continue to log and cut more logging roads in this environment we are cutting our own throat so to speak. Please consider logging only areas that can be reached by current roads. Many of the north Georgia forests are indeed treasures and should be removed from commercial timber harvests. The thinning of forests should be scrutinized closely and only the areas where the least impact is possible should be designated for thinning.

Thank you for your time and consideration