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Comments: First off, thank you for committing to use a two-step analysis for this project. Also, thank you for committing to designate areas to manage for old-growth. I applaud these changes.

I ask that you avoid gridlock by narrowing the project to focus on issues with broad support. Specifically:

- * Exclude Georgia's Mountain Treasures from commercial timber harvests
- * Restrict commercial timber harvests to "fire adapted" forest types.
- * Exclude areas more than half a mile from a road.

I also ask that you not cut all trees in attempts to regenerate southern yellow pine, that you not thin mesic forests, and that you choose Alternative 3.