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Comments: Thank you for the opportunity to allow me to comment on this project. I personally view this project as positive particularly from the game management aspect. This project will increase/enhance habitat for for the big three (bear, deer, and turkey) but I'm particularly interested in the the ruffed grouse where its population has declined substantially over the past 4 to 5 decades as forest management on the national forest slowed to a crawl. Active forest management that includes early successional forest habitat will enhance the ruffed grouse populations. Active and proper forest management will aid in carbon sequestration.

Also hope an active forest management program in all National Forest will help our economy by stimulating job growth.

This Forest management will help with diverse uses of our forest - bikers, hikers, hunters, and other outdoors folk.

Thank you for taking the time to read my opinions.