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Comments: I have concerns that the proposed project does not serve the best interest of the land and forest - especially the areas to be clear-cut and herbicide sprayed. I grew up in Whitley County and now live in McCreary County; this land is my home. As land owners, it is our right and privilege to be good stewards. National forests are OUR land, and it is up to us to ensure we do our part to preserve and protect them for future generations.

My husband and I are avid hikers. We have spent time in the Big South Fork NRRA before and after controlled burns for forest management. We have witnessed firsthand how the NFS helps to care for our land and how healthy the forest looks after it. However, I am staunchly opposed to clear cutting under the premise that it is what is best for the land. We are fortunate to have portions of our forest that is old growth, and I hope we continue to protect and preserve these old growths.