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Comments: I respectfully request that the proposed logging project of Jellico Mountain area be canceled. My husband logged as a young man with his family, and as such has lived long enough to see the consequences of clearing old growth on their properties. The biggest environmental/nuisance issue was allowing invasive species to gain a foothold on their properties. They also experienced washout of roads on the knobs. This was on a small scale. I can only imagine what will happen on a larger scale. Forty years of logging will make an everlasting detrimental impact on the hillsides and hollers of the Jellico Mountain area. I request that you carefully consider the evidence and data presented by the folks with regard to landslide potential and invasive species concerns. Please leave the forests of Jellico Mountain intact.