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Comments: From landslides to flooding, the proposed Jellico Vegetation Management Project is one that is bound to bring about negative outcomes for the flora, fauna, and the people of the area. In addition, many of these trees, though not designated old growth, are large, mature trees and therefore carbon sinks. To log them will not only release large amounts of carbon into the atmosphere but also it will open up the landscape to increased growth of invasive species. There seem to be very few positive elements of the proposed project and many areas of concern. As somebody who has frequented the beautiful woods of Kentucky for decades, I'd like to voice my opposition to the project and ask Forest Service to reconsider.