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Comments: As a frequent visitor to the Jefferson National Forest, I tread carefully and stay on trails so as to disturb as little as possible the home of the plants and animals that live there. After all, the National Forest was created to prevent future disasters like the excessive logging that preceded its creation. I am therefore horrified that the Forest Service would consider violating its own rules to accommodate such destruction.

Every one of the proposed amendments includes only one exception, the one for the Mountain Valley pipeline. Do you seriously mean to violate the Forest Plan, which took months of preparation, just for the financial benefit of one company?

I have followed the history of the MVP since its inception, and I have noticed that whenever MVP wants to do anything outside of its original plan, it simply requests a variance, and presto, it can go ahead. If the proposed alternative is selected, and construction has begun, if MVP wants to make any change and requests a variance, it will become more difficult to deny.

The MVP has a history of causing erosion and sedimentation, as well as cutting trees when bats are nesting, in its past efforts. Any mitigations it proposes, such as those preventing harm to endangered species, are untrustworthy.

Please choose Alternative 1, the No Action alternative.