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Comments: That the forest service is seriously proposing to destroy 12,000 acres of trees in the Green Mountain National Forest in 2023 is actually hard to believe. While we've known for a long time that we need to conserve and protect our forests. One would assume that forests designated as "National Forests" would not be available to be destroyed to extract the timber they contain. And while forests are defined as renewable, the decades required to renew a forest seems to be left out of the calculation for the value of the timber. Vermont is a state that should be leading the US in progressive policies to combat climate change. Instead the people responsible for making this decision will have to tell their grandchildren that in spite of all we know they sold the Green Mountain for their seven coins of silver.