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Comments: 92% of the 11,800 acres proposed for management in this plan is designated as at least "mature" forest. At a time in human history when there is a verifiable climate emergency due to excess carbon in the atmosphere, it behooves us to make every effort to store carbon in our forests to the greatest extent possible. This plan does not do that.

I understand the need for wood products. But Vermont's National Forest lands' best use is as storage for humangenerated excess carbon in the atmosphere.

There are private and state lands available to meet our wood product needs.