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Comments: Mature and old-growth forests excel at removing and storing carbon from the atmosphere. And yet, 92% of the areas proposed for logging in the Telephone Gap timber sale are classified as mature or old by the Green Mountain National Forest, violating President Biden's historic Executive Order from Earth Day 2022, which directed the US Forest Service to protect these forests for the benefit of the climate and biodiversity.

At a time when we are losing the battle with greenhouse global warming, stopping this plan to cut nearly 12,000 acres of old growth should e a no-brainer.