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Comments: Cutting down Vermont's old growth forests for lumber as proposed in Telephone Gap is the worst of logging practices in our age of climate crisis. Old growth forests provide our deepest source of carbon sequestration. We must choose to preserve the oldest trees. When the oldest trees are cut the younger trees begin to weaken and die also, because the oldest trees are feeding them through underground webs of mycelium.

Much research around the globe shows that this is true. Foresters are slowly listening.

Younger trees should be selected for harvest, and the oldest should be spared.

The Forest Service must step up and lead the fight against climate change.

Be part of the solution not part of the problem!