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Comments: To US FOREST SERVICE regarding logging in the Telephone Gap area of Vermont.

I love hiking in this area, and am dismayed to think about the trees being massively harvested in theis area. Old growth forests are hard to come by. They play an important role in our ecosystem, whether it is habitat for animals, carbon sequestering, or as an example of our commitment to preserving the natural world. I understand logging provides resources we use, but please consider a long term plan of renewing the resources we harvest. Old growth forest is not renewable.

Thank you for taking and considering public comment. We rely on the US Forest Service to make responsible and forward thinking decisions about our beautiful and important resources.