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Comments: The Telephone Gap project must be stopped! As an avid hiker it is shocking for me to know that these beautiful forests are being raped but more important is the adverse impact this type of logging is having on our ability to live on planet earth. It is now common knowledge that we need these old growth trees for carbon sequestering and it is a travesty what we are leaving for our children to deal with in terms of dramatic and harmful climate change as a direct result of this logging. The near extinction of any bat species is also devastating for the environment such as the threat this poses to the Northern Long Eared bat. You should be ashamed! We are already struggling with our nations water supply and watersheds and this logging threatens the otter creek headwaters causing even more contamination of our beautiful Lake Champlain! Shame on you!

There are so many compounding reasons to stop this Telephone Gap logging project and the only one to continue is due to greed and total disregard of nature and our children's future. Same on you! It is time to do the right thing and end this project now. As a health care provider, we are already seeing the health effects of climate change and air and water quality deterioration with growing cancers in younger and younger people, rising rates of respiratory diseases such as asthma and COPD to name a few. Stop this project now and have some compassion for the future of our children.