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Comments: As a VT state resident, I'm writing to let you know that I oppose any more logging of mature/old trees in the Green Mountain National Forest, in particular the upcoming/proposed Telephone Gap logging timber sale. For so many reasons: it would be bad for the climate, wildlife, and the environment, it would endanger the water quality of the Chittendon reservoir, and it would destroy habitat needed by endangered species, including my favorite, the Northern Long-eared Brown Bat (bats are critical pollinators, all of whom are in decline).

Also, it violates President Biden's Executive Order from Earth Day 2022, which directed the US Forest Service to protect old/mature woodlands for the benefit of the climate and biodiversity. (92% of the area proposed for logging in the Telephone Gap timber sale are classified as "old or mature".)

I could go on, but I want to keep this short.

Thank you for taking the time to read and consider these points.

Sincerely, Margaret