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Comments: I have lived, worked, and owned a home in Vermont for 28 years. The Green Mountain Forest is my primary area for hiking, cross-country skiing, snowshoeing, birding, and finding solace from a busy life and connection to nature. Over the past few years, one of my primary hiking areas -- the Honey Hollow loop near Richmond -- has been pillaged by logging. To witness extraction machines rip huge old trees out from their roots was heartbreaking.

As a biologist, it is unconscionable to me that we are removing the very resource (old growth forests) that we desperately need to extract atmospheric carbon and battle climate change. We must STOP this extractive and damaging practice.

I urge the National Forest Service to say "NO" to the Telephone Gap project.

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