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Comments: The TG proposal speaks of the need to increase regenerating class of 0-9 yr old trees for habitat of migratory birds and pollinators dependent on young forest, old field and shrub. Why cut intact forests to create habitat that can more easily be created in existing landscapes?

Here is an alternative you might consider. That habitat can be supplied by private landowners. The Forest Service could collaborate with Arbor Day foundation and Audubon to educate private land and homeowners about the importance of creating habitats in open land, fields, urban and suburban parcels.