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Comments: To the US Forest Service,

I am writing to voice my opposition to the logging of the 11,800 aces called the Telephone Gap Integrated Resource Project. As a citizen of the US and of Vermont, I am distressed that you are ignoring the present day scientific studies and knowledge that old growth and mature forests must be allowed to grow to maximize carbon storage and help in the fight against climate change.

This is an immediate threat to all life on earth. President Biden has issued an executive order directing you to protect these mature and old growth forests for the benefit of the climate and biodiversity. It is outrageous that you are ignoring this order and are presenting this proposed area to be logged.

Old growth forests are an endangered habitat, and we must take immediate and swift action to protect these forests and stop being part of the problem, and become part of the solution going forward.

Please let this forest continue to grow, to store carbon, to protect water quality, and all the wildlife species present.

For the forests, Donna Goldberg