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Comments: I just read the most recent opinion piece, Climate Matters, by HJoware Jennings in the March 9 Addison Independent and followed up by watching the PBW short piece on carbon storage by forests giving the science that shows that the USFS logging plan from 2006 is woefully out of date with respect to climate change. We need to stop the Telephone Gap logging and the plan near Camel's Hump. It appears that Pres. Biden's executive order of 2022 should prevent this logging when. compared to a similar logging plan canceled in Oregon.

I am President of a non-profit Spirit in Nature (<https://www.spiritinnature.org/>), a series of nature paths on land owned by Middlebury College coming up on 25 years. In the last couple of year we had a scare as the College considered including this parcel in a trade to the GMNF which would have jeopardized the continuation of the project in its present form and theoretically could have exposed it to logging at some future time. Spirit in Nature encourages our many visitors to renew their connection with nature, realizing that our species IS nature, not separate from nature as our common language suggests.

I believe older forests are important to avoid the severe impacts of climate change and ultimately important to preventing extinction of the human species with the typical short sightedness exemplified by the 2006 USNF logging guidelines.

Please, we humans need to change our approach.