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Comments: There are numerous studies that show maintaining mature forests are critical to climate change mitigation. You must immediately stop plans to log these 11,800-acres of mostly mature and old trees northeast of Rutland, VT. I graduated from the University of Vermont, and consider Vermont my second home. The forests of this state are better utilized as a living resource not as a logged resource. This is a devastating blow to the ecosystem of Vermont, to the tourism industry, which relies on the beauty of the natural resources. Today just .03% of forests in new England are older than 150 years. These are rare forests that are up to 150 years old. We cannot afford to lose these forests!