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Comments: The Green Mountain National Forest is a National Forest. This means simply that the land and trees growing on that land are the people's property. In a time where sequestering carbon is a good thing to do it seems like we should not be cutting down large areas of mature forest. Its very clear that most logging in this state benefits a small number of people in the forest products industry. There is plenty of private land that can be used to fuel that industry. Publicly owned forest should not be logged for the time being. There is only one reason to do this and that's because the logging lobby is pushing for it. They benefit getting low cost material and we the people lose a ton of trees for very little in return. All logging on Federal lands should be put on hold for the time being. There is no compelling national interest in continuing doing what we have been for the last 50 years. There are lots of reasons to stop the large cut operations