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Comments: I oppose the Telephone Gap Resource Project that proposes to log mature and old forests in the Green Mountain National Forest. The Vermont Conservation Design calls for at least 10% of Vermont's forests to be "old forest"--currently that number hovers around 3%. We need more old forests, not less. Keeping this key habitat intact will help Vermont meet its climate and biodiversity goals, help species in peril to survive, protect water and air quality, and ensure that Vermonters can visit, recreate in, and learn from beautiful old forests in their home state.