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Comments: I have commented once already against the proposed cutting. I have continued to read articles and letters written against and for the cutting. I have also researched forest carbon for a number of non-profits. I just do not see how the benefits of cutting out weigh the negatives, from remaining or new habitat, or from carbon sequestration perspectives.

I have read statements from many reputable foresters and forest organizations that Vermont should have at least 10% of its lands in a wild, undisturbed in perpetuity state. Until we have this percentage, it is very hard for this state and its forestry department to make a "Telephone Gap" kind of proposal with a straight face. Instead of cutting here, it should add these acres to the 10% goal.

Thank you.

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