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Comments: The plan to log the old growth forest of Telephone Gap, including trees over 150 years old, will negatively impact water quality of Otter Creek which flows into the already troubled Lake Champlain and the White River which is a tributary of the Connecticut River. Additionally, old growth trees store more carbon than younger forested areas. Finally, animal species will be negatively affected. The long-eared bat, in particular, is already endangered and deserves our protection as does the entire Telephone Gap forest area. Be proactive for the environment not for business!