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Comments: Good morning,

I am taking the opportunity to again speak out on the proposed logging plan for the Lake Tarleton area because of how much this pristine land means to me personally. I was a camper and counselor at Kingswood Camp located between rt. 25C and Lake Tarleton for over 12 years of my life from when I was 10 years old until into my mid twenties. I also take the opportunity to make the pilgramage back to this incredible area whenever I get the chance from my new home in Chicago. I have seen the revised plan and still have concerns about the impact the logging will have on this area.

One of the primary reasons I and all of my fellow camp goers keep returning to the shores of Lake Tarleton is due to the natural beauty and undistrubed nature of the mountains, lakes and trails. For most of us who live in larger urbanized areas, the beauty of the nature in this region is something rare and to be saught out. Protecting this land against the man made changes over time is what makes it special. It pains me to think of this area being desecrated and land stripped of its resources as so many other similar once protected sites have. Kingswood Camp, Lake Tarleton, and the vistas across to Mount Mousilauke are forever present in my mind and I am deeply interested in keeping them in the pristine condition I remeber them. Surely upholding this increasingly rarified untouched beauty must be more valuable than the short term profit made from harvesting the timber.

I ask again from the bottom of my and countless other's hearts - please reconsider this plan and take a stand to be on right side of history and protect one of the most beautiful and magical places on earth. This is an opportunity to set an example and show future generations that some things in this world are worth protecting. Think of trying to explain this decision to a young child who can't comprehend the sacrifice this plan would entail all for the purpose of profit.

I hope you will reconsier this proposal and do the right thing!