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1. I am concerned foremost because, we as a region, state & amp; nation needing to consider so carefully any cutting of forests at this time when climate change is our #1 most existential problem as a global community. it's more critical now than ever to preserve these forests that are well over 100 years old and store far more carbon than younger forests and we need them more than ever.

2. 650 acres (1 mile) is a considerable swath of land. What about fewer acres of less old forest and in less visible areas?

3. The White Mtn NF needs a new plan that reflects the current acceleration of climate change (including increased loss of forests due to fires). Best practices for carbon sequestration and storage must be reflected in current forest plan.

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