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Comments: To the National Forest Service Sandwich Vegetation Management Project:

I am concerned about the proposed project and ask that it not be carried out.

Flooding often occurs after logging. When the roots of trees are not there to hold the soil there is erosion. This makes it harder for the plants and animals of the area to survive and thrive. WE have certainly had our fill of flooding this summer, especially on the 16th of July. Where our summer house is had flooding and lots of debris brought to the area.

There is usually loss of species of plants and animals after logging. The Northern Long-eared bat which is now listed as endangered needs mature forests for its life. There are probably other species that would suffer.

Construction of road into the area for extracting the logs, putting in logging roads, and making skid trails cause damage to the forest.

I am writing a second letter using my winter home address. I live near National Forest areas in Western North Carolina. We also have a problem with too many industry people wanting to log. Logging is done too often and harms the plants and animals.

Sincerely,

Jane Goldthwait