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Comments: I'm writing to strongly oppose the Sandwich Vegetation Management Project #57392. As someone who frequently uses many of the proposed areas for hiking, running, etc, I am incredibly upset to learn about this project and the lack of transparency shown by the USFS. As climate change becomes more and more a part of our daily lives, it shows a shocking lack of foresight to start such a project, removing large stands of mature forests and further disrupting plant and animal habitat.

The impact upon the ecosystems, the increasingly rare species within them (including 2 endangered species!), the recreational enjoyment, views, and water quality WILL be significant. This impact is inexcusable in this day and age, especially as I see more and more mature wood being cleared in NH for real estate development. NH needs its unbroken wild forests.

I'm further troubled to learn that while planning to build or upgrade 16 miles of roads, the USFS failed to assess environmental or social impact of this part of the project. Where is the EIA on that significant disruption?