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Comments: I live in Ohio and visit the Chocorua/Tamworth area two to three times a year, and have done so for fifty years. I hike Mount Chocorua once a year, and always use the Brook and Liberty Trails. I am concerned that the Sandwich Vegetation Management Project has not taken proper consideration of the public's recreational use of the area - and that the lack of any forest buffer between the designated harvest area and the hiking trails is incompatible with this recreational use. People come to this area to enjoy the beauty it offers - which the state of NH recognizes and appreciates, as demonstrated by the inclusion of Mt. Chocorua on the state quarter. The presence of the Project so near areas frequently accessed by the public is not a "finding of no significant impact," and the Forest Service should reconsider this conclusion.