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Supervisor Derek Ibarguen and Jim Innes, District Ranger:

First and foremost, I am against the plan as currently proposed. This plan is an eighteen year old plan that was devised before the general acceptance of climate change and to me very outdated.

I also feel in light of the forest fires in Canada a new plan should be under consideration before any steps are taken to clear cut any portion of the White Mountain National Forest. What are the alternatives to this plan? The plan will have a definite impact on the scenic value of this area as well as impact on the wildlife everyone looks forward to seeing on a regular basis.

Has consideration been given to changes in water quality in the region due to the plan? We have had adequate rainfall this year but the area also has had drought years recently. Won't run-off from clear cutting make for greater drought possibilities or maybe flooding possibilities?

I could go on but I'll stop here.

Please do not follow through with this plan as written.

Thank you,

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