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Comments: As a long term user, I'm shocked by this proposal to destroy some of the most popular and accessible parts of the WMNF. It degrades, and in some cases closes, hiking trails on Mt Chocorua, Mt Paugus, and in the Sandwich Range as well as popular trailhead parking lots.

My first WMNF overnighter was with my parents and siblings in about 1949 and I'm fortunate to still be enjoy this wonderful place. Yes, I no longer tackle the most challenging trails, but I have spent decades hiking with my children and grandchildren. Long after I'm gone they should be able to enjoy this priceless region, its natural beauty and its awesome vistas. Remember, as citizens, we - my family, friends and countless others - are the owners of the WMNF. It must not be sacrificed on the altar of lumber company profits. Thank you,

Jack Martin