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Comments: I am opposed to the logging of this area of the forest for grouse. Grouse are not threatened or endangered, why does the Forest Service continually use grouse as a reason to log? Is it because grouse prefer "young forests" giving you a convenient excuse to log? Or is it because they also like white oak? This project would be easier to swallow if you were being honest about it - the stave mills need white oak, and the DBNF has high quality white oak.

I am also concerned about the scenic integrity of the Sheltopee Trace and request that you give the Sheltopee Trace Association the scenic designation they are asking for.

This project needs to follow the full NEPA process with an environmental analysis, not a CE! Please pay attention to public input and make a good faith effort to modify your project based on public feedback.