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Comments: Hello! My family has a house up in Chocorua and I am greatly concerned about this project! We come up to the area for it's beauty and pristine nature. I've climbed Mt Chocorua every year since I was 6 (I'm 29 now so you do the math) and enjoy it even more every time. I'm concerned these beautiful trails will be affected by road construction, truck traffic, and skidder paths. The logging trucks and other equipment could pose a danger to those trying to hike the Liberty and Brook Trails (my two favorites, by the way!) by using that parking lot. I am also concerned about damage to threatened and endangered plant and animal species, the fact that the effect of cutting on climate change is brushed over in the draft EA, and that serious erosion and flooding could occur especially with all the rain we've had this summer. There is no way that timber sales are more valuable to the economy than recreation and tourism. This project should NOT go through as it is.