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Comments: President Biden recently issued an Executive Order to conserve old growth forests. The US Forest Service announced they will amend their forest management plans nationwide to comply. This includes their plans for the Pisgah-Nantahala National Forests. The existing plan opens 100,000 acres of old growth forest to commercial logging. Due to extensive logging, the Southern US has very little old growth left. We must protect the old growth in Pisgah-Nantahala National Forests. Old growth forests should never be open to logging. We need to protect mature forests on public and private lands.

Thank you very much.