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Comments: Folks, I'm not a biologist, or a forester, or a naturalist but simply a concerned citizen who would like to see Vermont lead the way for old forest conservation and preservation.

I appreciate that this plan is being developed now after so many years that the Worcester Range has done well on its own, without a plan, and see the plan as a way to cement those practices that got us to where we are today. Please, do not rush into a plan after having not had one for so long, and do not lock us in for years to come in management plan that looks to past practices rather than what they can be in the future. Let's have Vermont lead the way for New England, and the rest of the country, in conserving and preserving old growth forest.

Thanks for your time and attention to this matter, and for permitting common people like me to submit comments.