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Comments: I ask you all to revise the land management plan to ban commercial logging in our national forests. I have the privilege of living next to the Pisgah-Nantahala forest. These forests contain unique plants and ecosystems which do not exist in forests in the same area which were logged or have been used commercially. The forests right next to me on land that was part of farms do not contain that same ancient and diverse ecosystem and there is no way to recover it. These national forests should be for all people of this country-to enjoy in the full rolling hills and mountain vistas, to enjoy the small joys of native wild flowers and plants that do not grow elsewhere, and to enjoy the ancient trees deeply connected to an entire ecosystem.

Allowing these forests to be used for commercial logging puts the interests of a few (whoever gets the money from the logging) over the interests of all other Americans (everyone else who doesn't get the money and loses the unique and never to be recovered forest). As these forests are also a tourist attraction, it also puts the interest of loggers over the interests of those who make a living from serving tourists coming to the area to see the unique beauty of old forests and native plants.

I hope you all will revise the land management rules to prohibit commercial logging. Please keep the forests for the benefit of all, not a few.