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Comments: I am the Judge-Executive of Rowan County, Kentucky. We have a population of 25,000 citizens spread over 286 square miles. Over 60% of our county is National Forest. The further restriction of timber harvesting on forestry land will only serve to hamper the efforts of the forestry service to maintain and improve the infrastructure of our public lands, diminish the quality of our woodlands and increase the propensity for wildland fires.

I implore the Federal Government to reconsider this policy decision that will have further negative effects on the ecosystem and economy of our county.