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Comments: I am in opposition to the wholesale clear cutting that is being proposed for the telephone gap integrated project. I have lived in Rochester for over 45 years, as a business owner and one of many people who regularly recreates in the National Forest. Hiking, Mtn. Biking and Ski Touring have been my chosen sources of joy since I have lived here. The forest that I am lucky to be surrounded by has been a place of refuge, joy and solitude. Recently in the past few years, a section of the Liberty Hill area was clear cut and I believe managed incorrectly . Ski Touring through this area, recently and reflecting on the devastation of almost every single Tree produced profound sadness and frustration at the destruction caused by this clearing. Not only has the cutting left a visual scar on the landscape for generations, but the clean up process of the logging industry has made the access roads harder to navigate, especially on a bike. I expect better management for the future!