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Comments: I oppose the Sandwich Vegetation Management Project (SVMP). My comments, objections and remedies are: 1)Logging along the major trails will have a profound impact on the beauty of the Sandwich Range - Remedy - Do a Recreational Use Analysis of SVMP area 2)The mature forest stores large quantities of carbon. The climate crisis will be worsened by the proposed burning and logging - Remedy - Wait on implementing the logging until more guidance is provided by Executive Order 14072 regarding Old Growth and Mature Forests 3)The likely use of herbicides will negatively impact water quality - Remedy - Conduct Water Quality Study in relation to herbicides 4)Logging will make the the rivers more prone to flooding -Remedy - Conduct a study to address water shed issues and Spring flooding potential 5)People visit and live in the Sandwich Range to enjoy the quiet of the outdoors. The constant sound of logging will be a relentless noise to contend with - Remedy- Do a Recreational Use Analysis of SVMP area 6)the Management Plan offers no reasonable alternative -it is all or nothing,- Remedy - Add other alternatives including no action needed 7)Revised in 2005, the Plan was written 18 years ago. Forest plans are required by law to be revised after 15 years. By law the Plan needs updating - Remedy - Revise the SVMP plan to reflect the current environmental and climate science and current recreational use.