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Comments: I am encouraging the Forest Service to select Alternative A, No Action, which would allow the forests of the Telephone Gap landscape to continue to grow old for the benefit of biodiversity and the climate. No Action is consistent with President Biden's 2022 Executive Order on conserving mature and old-growth forests. Please protect all mature stands over the age of 80 in the Telephone Gap landscape and across the entire Green Mountain National Forest.

Logging in all Inventoried Roadless Areas, including the 16,000-acre Pittenden Inventoried Roadless Area in the Telephone Gap project area, must end! Doing so will help protect un-fragmented wildlife habitat and clean water, and defend downstream communities from flooding.