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Comments: Thank you for developing upgrades and improvements to the IRP in the Green Mountain National Forest. Of the three potential options, I strongly favor D. Both as a member of my town's Planning Commission, founding member of Friends of Fairlee Forest, and person who lives in, hikes in, and studies forest ecology and impacts of climate change on forests, Option D represents the values I believe best serve Vermonters and the planet now and in the long term. I urge the Forest Service to rule out harvests of trees over 100 years old, and to protect forest soils from damage by minimizing the extent of skid roads, the size and weight of logging equipment, and discouraging harvests when and where soils are wet.

Thank you.

Lynne