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Comments: I am writing today to express my concern about the Forest Service entering into a 40 year logging proposal in the Daniel Boone National Forest. This plan under reports the significant negative impact that will occur on species survival, invasive encroachment, landslide danger and water pollution.

The plan is so long term that it is irresponsible and ignores the President's Executive Order to preserve mature and old growth forests. This "plan" is understandable considering the Forest Service's use of board feet quotas and job performance criteria to inform their staff performance decisions. This action in the Jellico region of DBNF is just bad management.

Regeneration cuts such as clearcuts and shelterwood logging in mature and old growth forests is just not suited in the Jellico Mountains. Many of these treed slopes are steep and will result in severe land destabilization. I urge you to consider Alternative 1 while protecting the old growth areas within the logging sites. Please keep your stated commitment to conservation and the broader goal of preserving biodiversity and ecosystem health.

Thank you for your time.