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Comments: I am writing in opposition to the 40-year Jellico logging plan for Daniel Boone National Forest. Logging this area so extensively and for such a long time will absolutely lead to landslides and a huge detrimental impact on the environment in both the National Forest and in the surrounding areas, all of which are dependent on each other ecologically. We cannot afford to lose the trees and green space we need to help slow climate change, and-before we even get to the longterm climate impact-the immediate impact of unanchored topsoil will be huge for the park and for its neighbors, and for everyone who uses the area for work, study, or tourism. (Endangering tourists, hikers, and campers who come to explore the forest seems like a really, really bad plan for the forest and for the surrounding towns.)

I also urge you to reconsider the currently understated response to treatment and removal of invasive species such as Tree of Heaven. Because of their especially welcoming habitat for spotted lanternfly, removal and control of those invasive species is key to being able to safely manage our natural resources in and out of the forest-if we do not tackle these invasive species and give the natural species more ability and room to flourish, then the issues caused by invasives will spread beyond the park and affect all our region's agricultural and residential and economic prospects.

Please allow our National Forest's mature and old-growth trees to flourish, and please assist their growth by fighting the invasive species that they cannot fight without our help.