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Comments: Without question, logging in moderation can improve habitat quality by creating diversity and promoting new growth. However, I do not support the first proposal of the Jellico Vegetation Management (EA.) The total amount of acreage proposed would be detrimental to the environment by increasing erosion and eradicating mast-bearing trees at too large a scale.

From a recreational standpoint, properties primarily consisting of clear-cuts limit many outdoor activities and are not aesthetically pleasing.

I would be more supportive of an option that created smaller parcels of clear-cuts to maintain a healthier ratio of diversity. In addition, the proposal could incorporate more selective timbering in the portions of the standing timber to create more growth in areas where the thick canopy limits sunshine from reaching the ground.