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Comments: I am writing to voice my concerns as part of the NEPA process. The proposed Jellico logging operation is entirely irresponsible and runs counter to President Biden's executive climate goals, as old-growth/mature forests are responsible for greater carbon sequestration and preserving wildlife biodiversity . If any action is needed, I support the NO ACTION alternative, with modifications to manage invasive species like Tree of Heaven and Autumn Olive.

Seeing the Jellico mountain area as valuable only from a timber perspective is entirely myopic and overlooks the much more long-term profitable aspects of the land such as ecotourism, recreation, healthy habitats, and ensuring water quality.

In light of the challenges we are currently facing in the climate crisis, choosing to ignore public input and proceeding with the proposed logging operations will place you squarely on the wrong side of history