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Comments: I oppose the Jellico Management EA. Although I only have a layman's perspective of this project, I do understand the concerns with moving forward. USFS owns 43% of the land in McCreary County. Along with US Park Service property, at least 70% of all land in the county, is federally owned. That is far more than any other county in Kentucky. We receive pennies on the dollar in tax monies from the Federal Government. We use this money to provide road maintenance and law enforcement coverage on federal property. In over 5 years as McCreary County Judge/Executive, when we approach the USFS with a proposal for outdoor recreation or economic development, the answer is usually "NO"! Also, it seems to me, when there is a possibility of danger to a threatened species of wildlife the rules are flexible in their favor. We desire to coexist with the federal government but we would like to have opportunities that other counties have. These lands belong to the people!