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Comments: I am commenting regarding Jellico Vegetation Management EA. I do not support the current proposals. Due to the presence of old growth, as well as many imporant and unique species like the blackside dace, I do not think the area should be logged. Mature forests provide imporant benefits, including reducing sedimentation, reducing flooding severity, and improving water quality. This area is a headwaters for the Cumberland which provides water to millions of people across Middle Tennessee. I find that logging this area is an extremely short sided objective which does not take into account all the benefits we receive from mature forests.