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Comments: I support controlled burns in the Lickstone Project proposal to maintain high elevation pitch pine and oak forests and associated wildlife. The aquatic organism projects will reconnect miles of stream for the benefit of aquatic wildlife. I support construction of a new parking lot for access to recreational use. Measures must be taken to prevent the spread of non-native invasive plant species due to logging and road building. Skyline logging should be done on steep slopes; road construction on steep slopes should be avoided to prevent landslides and erosion. Insofar as the Lickstone project exceeds the natural range of variation in Rich Cove Forests, which could lead to a loss of ecological integrity, fewer trees should be logged through the Rich Cove Forest Ecozone. I support removing units 50 and 52 from the timber plan since these units are diverse and in good condition. Logging them would degrade these healthy Rich Cove Forests.