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Comments: I live in Yancey county and spend a lot of time using USFS lands. I support the management of these forests in order to encourage healthy habits and biodiversity. The Natural Heritage Program Natural Areas are designated for their biodiversity significance and protect many rare plant and animal species, particularly the Seven mile Ridge Wetlands Natural Area in Yancey County is one of the best examples of Swamp Forest-Bog Complex in the state and is home to several rare plant species. This area should not be subjected to commercial timber harvest. Please remove this and all other NHP Natural Areas from the areas proposed for commercial timber harvest.