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Comments: I am opposed to logging the Telephone Gap Forest area, especially the old growth forest (OGF). OGFs are rare and take a long time to replace. Meanwhile the OGF inhabitants have nowhere to survive, driving more species to extinction.

Our national forests belong to the people and should not be managed for profit corporations.

Please choose Alternative A-NO ACTION.

Alternatives C and D don't go nearly far enough to honor the intent of President Biden's Executive Order on conserving mature and OGFs.

The Forest Service needs to research and create a much more in-depth Environmental Impact Statement before it proceeds with this misguided logging plan.

Please protect ALL MATURE STANDS over the age of 80 in the Telephone Gap landscape and across the entire Green Mountain National Forest, which will have the added benefit of helping to protect important habitat for the endangered Northern Long-eared Bat-a keystone species.

Please end logging in all Inventoried Roadless Areas, including the 16,000-acre Pittenden Inventoried Roadless Area in the Telephone Gap project area, to protect un-fragmented wildlife habitat and clean water, and defend downstream communities from flooding.

I see no reason for logging these areas. It just seems counter to all that is good and holy and needed in this time of climate change and mass extinction.