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Comments: I am writing to strongly oppose the Telephone Gap Integrated Resource Project. There is no need to deforest an age old forest. The project will disrupt natural wildlife habitat and there is no need for it other than making a profit. Who will make the financial gain? This information is not presented. The loss of more of Vermont's natural woodlands will have a negative impact on the plant and animals that reside there and once it is gone, it CANNOT be replaced. I am astonished that this is even a consideration to be done. It will cost more money to make roads and trails and restore the soil and wetlands that you have decided to destroy. Leave the old forests alone.

When my 101 year old father passed away recently, I wish I could have said more things to him. Even 101 years was not enough. This project reminds me of him and death. Once something is gone or destroyed you cannot get it back. Leave the forest alone.