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Comments: To who it may concern,

My name is Fergus Marshall, I am a lifelong lover of nature, the environment, and all living beings. I am extremely concerned regarding the telephone gap project as I have been visiting that area regularly for many years and love it for everything it does aesthetically and practically. I am worried that the forest service has not seriously taken into account that we are presently deep into a climate emergency. That being said, why would we be removing the only known mechanism that can remove carbon dioxide at scale from the atmosphere? I have heard the stories about early succession growth, and perhaps it could bring some good results but seeing that we are out of time we can't wait for , these new trees to mature, and drawdown significant carbon where as if we leave these stands of trees to just be there with no prescription for removal they will do all of that work, for free. Any logging operation is going to cause the release of enormous amounts of greenhouse gases and will continue for more than a decade, even in the best of conditions. Can we really afford more greenhouse gases in our atmosphere? right now, scientists are telling us that we have to stop and start drawing it Down or else there is a good likelihood we may experience feedback loops causeing a runaway effect that Would be out of control. The other reason I am opposed to this project is because I personally love to hike in that part of the green Mountain national Forest, and have been doing it for sometime. I am sure the serenity and the unspoiled environment offers will suffer immensely from any logging. I have seen firsthand, other logging has been done near that area and it breaks my heart.

Please do what is right for mother nature, and for the future of our planet and all who Inhibit it.

Stop this terrible project

sincerely, Fergus Marshall.