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Comments: Dear USDA Forest Service,

I have lived in East Middlebury for over 40 years now, and the woods and forests and streams and rivers have long been a part of my world here. The complex ecosystems maintained by a rich and stable forest have supported diversity in plants, animals and other wildlife. I am extremely concerned about the proposed logging of old growth forest in the Telephone Gap. We are on the precipice of climate disaster and have an administration entering that has promised to increase fossil fuel industry and to remove important EPA restrictions. The trees in the Telephone Gap area are irreplaceable and serve an important function as they sequester carbon.

Please halt this project.

Sincerely,

Leigh Harder