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Comments: As a born and bred country mouse who accidentally fell in love with a career that requires me to live in NYC, finding the time to get out into nature keeps me sane. Hiking and camping trips are a balm to my soul. I hope this public comment forum is being flooded with people who are wildly smarter than me and more qualified to speak on the disastrous environmental impacts that this plan would cause. I hope that the people who live in the area are writing to speak on the loss to community that this plan would cause. What I'm begging you to consider is the loss of tourism that this plan would cause. I've been dreaming of hiking in these forests for years. I devour online content about the best trails and campsites, sure, but that's not all that makes a trip to the area. I have lists of small towns to visit, hotels to stay in, restaurants that sound incredible, small businesses I want to check out. All of that because of your amazing forests. If they're decimated, local economies will be, too. In a better world the calls for environmental stewardship would be enough to sway anyone, but we live in this one, so I hope an appeal that centers money will.