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Comments: I moved to New Hampshire in 1965 at the age of 4, and I have enjoyed the wild areas around Lost River and Moosilauke since I was a young girl.

There is no science behind the Forest Service's rationale for logging in the Lost River IRP beyond the science of greed. The science tells us that one of the most important things we can do to help mitigate climate change is to preserve our intact forests; they are the most efficient, at scale, carbon capture technology on our planet.

It is inconceivable to me, knowing what we know about the critical role our forests play in maintaining life on this planet, that the Forest Service could even think about destroying thousands of acres of wild, intact forest.

The relentless destruction of wildlife habitat will lead to increased degradation of our environment and, ultimately, cause our own extinction. The only way that we, as a species, can survive on this planet is through the trees and plants that photosynthesize to provide us with oxygen. They create the ecosystem that makes life possible.

New Hampshire's forests are invaluable for helping to keep New Hampshire resilient in the face of a changing climate. They guard our water quality, protect us from flooding, and cool us in the summer. Clear cutting timber destroys the forest and leaves nothing in its wake. The Forest Service should understand the science before taking action that will be detrimental to all life in New Hampshire.