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Comments: As an avid sportsman who enjoys our National Forest I am highly in favor of the Sugar Mountain Project. High altitude timber cuts are desperately needed to save Ruffed Grouse and other native species that require ESH to exist. The lack of ESH due to drastic reductions in timber cuts is pushing these native species to near extinction. Less than 2% of the Cherokee National Forest is in ESH. This lack of forest management is going to leave us with a single age forest bear sanctuary that shades out the forest floor leading to no new growth for nesting cover, brood cover or food for so many different species. The National Forest was not created to be left alone for environmentalists but conserved to allow hunting, fishing , hiking, and timber production. Yes we need to carefully manage and protect but within reason. Thank you for the opportunity to share my comments.