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Comments: It is unclear what "ecological restoration" means. There is nothing "wrong" with the ecology of the GMNF. It can manage just fine without such draconian management. There is also no reason to cut and burn areas of the National Forest in Vermont. The fires that occur in this northern forest are usually quite small and limited in scope. There is never an excuse to use glyphosphate on forest lands. It kills plants indiscriminately, harms wildlife, and is a danger to human health downstream.

Cutting, burning and poisoning could lead to sloughing of soils and/or the incursion of invasive plants such as honeysuckle and buckthorn. There is no guarantee whatsoever that the proposed disruption would result in more "desirable" species. Leave the forest to evolve on its own.

Therefore there is no justifiable reason for this project at all.