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Comments: Dear Forest Managers,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed West Sheffield Project #68968. I am very opposed to this use of the Allegheny National Forest, which is already profoundly and negatively impacted by industrialization, extraction, and the reckless financial interests of the few. The two purposes of the project are-- ostensibly--to improve the watershed in the area and to harvest forest products. Protecting the regional watershed was one of the primary reasons the Allegheny National Forest was created. But in what way does Project #68968 meet this goal? It is clear that the true purpose of this project is to harvest and sell forest products. This is our public land, set apart and protected for the public good. Please do not cave to consumerist interests. Protect it so that it can protect us, purifying our water and air, and enriching our lives with things that money cannot buy.

As you know, a forest is a community of plants, animals, and people. This project would be an enormous disruption to that community, maybe even its destruction. Thank you for considering my opinion. And thank you for putting the greater good above the interests of those for whom money is the only motivating factor.