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Hello,

My name is Henri Creech, I am currently a student at Appalachian State University, but prior to that I lived in Asheville, before that Waynesville. As you may be able to tell I love the mountains of North Carolina, I spent most of my childhood wandering around the bountiful beauty that lay just outside my door. It saddens me to think that some of the areas that I feel most home are going to be threatened now. I believe that these mountains are beneficial in more ways than one, of course they offer scenic beauty but they also encourage physical fitness and push people to explore the treasures that we are so lucky to have. I firmly believe that tourism, which is a major economic industry in many towns and cities that lay just outside of the sprawling hills and mountains, would decline if major amounts of land space was reserved for harvesting. I hope that the numbers I've read are exaggerated, and I hope as well, that the right decision is made so that we can preserve these mountains and everything that they provide.

Thanks,

Henri.