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Harvesting of trees in National Forests

Tourism is one of Asheville's major industries. One of the attractions to this area are is our forested mountains and the many hiking trails that bring people here year round. Foresting needs a long term plan that protects certain areas around hiking trails, as well as long and near views on the Blue Ridge Parkway, and from our residential areas and scenic highways.

Before allowing our forests to be cut by private companies for profit, our citizens need to be able to see where these areas are, what kinds of contractual agreements are in place to protect our ridge lines, hiking trails, scenic views, and reforestation of cut areas. After seeing the details, we should have. Time to be able to voice our opinions about these plans.

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