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Forest Service Plan - thoughts

After reading about your most recent Forest Service plan, I have some thoughts I would like to share.

I completely understand that logging is necessary to extent and that it's vital in our world. However, so is protecting our lands.

My family and I, use these hiking trails and outdoor areas for family bonding time. A time to escape the craziness that this world has become. It is a time to unplug from society and REALLY enjoy each other. My husband and I work full time jobs and their is nothing we love more then spending our weekends with our kids exploring these National Forests.

If you feel the need to log them then you should also feel the need to protect them.

Why do you think so many people have started coming to WNC?! It's because of these forests. It's because you can't find these forests anywhere else in the United States. They are stunning!

There has to be a happy medium for everyone involved. If it's necessary to log then it's also necessary to have protected areas as well. You can't be one sided with this decision. I realize the Forest Service benefits off of logging the the money it brings in but where are your values at? It's the whole point of what these forests bring to people which is happiness. Let's face it. The world is upside down. Don't take away some of the only places we have to escape to.

I sincerely hope you can come to an agreement that benefits everyone. For the sake of future generations and my kids that have developed a huge love for these National Forests and all the goodness they bring!

Thank you for your time,  
Brooklyn Jamison