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Comments:

The current proposal for opening up indefinite logging with no details available on the outset of the procedure is unacceptable. First, it is a poor management strategy to open carte blanche extraction in national and state parks. Second, even if the fine details of the projects were made known, the Daniel Boone National Forest and Red River Gorge are both small environment at risk of nearby invasive species (pine beetles, kudzu, honeysuckle, etc.). Additional damage caused by lumber or other extractive industries will further destabilize the protected areas and undermine a commitment to biodiversity. The use of new roads to gain access to trees of sufficient size for lumber will leave open field conditions that promote the growth and entrance of the mentioned species. Some relevant notes about general concerns about the size and style of management for protected spaces can be found here: <https://www.prb.org/howmuchlandshouldbeprotectedforbiodiversity/>