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Comments:

I wish to register my thoughts on the massive Foothills Landscape Project in the Chattahoochee National Forest in northern Georgia. In my view, the size of this project prevents, and may even be designed to prevent, the public from knowing and commenting knowledgeably about the specific activities the Forest Service will be engaged in over the next 15-20 years. I am opposed to using herbicides on Forest Service lands. There are too many unknowns about the long term effects, and other methods that pose fewer risks to the environment are available. For example, we did not know the long term negative effects of DTD in the early years of its use; until the Forest Service can demonstrate that its use of herbicides has no long term negative effects, it should not use them. In addition, restoration of temporary roads should be strictly enforced. It is my understanding that the Forest Service does not know what its funding over the life of this project will be, and, therefore, cannot make such assurances to the public. I request that the Forest Service hold annual public meetings to review its specific plans for each year of this project and receive public comments on each year's specific planned activities.