White Mountain National Forest in New Hampshire
Think White Mountain National Forest is Protected?
Think Again

Clearcutting WMNF Near Bretton Woods, Tintah Logging Project
Clearcutting White Mountain National Forest

The US Forest Service Manages White Mountain National Forest and Should be Stewards of These Beautiful and Important Public Forests. Instead, Even Now When We Understand the Need to Protect Forests, the Agency is Recklessly Clearcutting Them.
The Following Photos Show How the Forest Service at WMNF Treats Our Public National Forest
Clearcutting White Mountain National Forest

One of the Many Clearcuts Near Bretton Woods
Clearcutting White Mountain National Forest

“Protecting riparian values, maintaining and protecting habitat for proposed threatened and endangered species, and maintaining a healthy and resilient watershed into the future have been and will continue to be the primary considerations in management of the Tintah project area.”

Tintah Timber Project
Clearcutting White Mountain National Forest

“Before” Batchelder Brook, South Carr Roadless Area

Photo, Mollie Matteson
Clearcutting White Mountain National Forest

“After”, Same Location, Batchelder Brook  Photo, Mollie Matteson
Than Brook Timber Sale, In The Wild River Roadless Area Of White Mountain National Forest

Units 8, 10 & 12 Shown In Red Circles
Clearcutting White Mountain National Forest

“Before”
Than Brook, Unit 12
Wild River Roadless Area

Photo, Frank Robey
Clearcutting White Mountain National Forest

“After”
Than Brook, Unit 12, Wild River Roadless Area
Clearcutting White Mountain National Forest

Than Brook, Unit 12
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Than Brook, Unit 12
Clearcutting White Mountain National Forest

Near North Woodstock, Google Earth
Clearcutting White Mountain National Forest

West of Twin Mountain, NH, Google Earth
Clearcutting White Mountain National Forest

Kancamagus Scenic Byway, Google Earth
Clearcutting White Mountain National Forest

Chandler Brook, Google Earth
Clearcutting White Mountain National Forest

Near Bretton Woods, Google Earth
Clearcutting White Mountain National Forest

Chandler Round, Unit 2  

Photo, Frank Robey
Clearcutting White Mountain National Forest

Than Brook, Unit 12

Photo, Jon Leibowitz
Scientists Oppose Clearcutting

In support of the Save America’s Forest Act, which would prohibit clear-cutting of National Forests, 600 leading biologists, ecologists, foresters, and scientists, including E.O. Wilson sent a letter to Congress stating:

“Clearcutting and other even aged silvicultural practices and timber road construction have caused widespread forest ecosystem fragmentation and degradation.

The result is species extinction, soil erosion, flooding, destabilizing climate change, the loss of ecological processes, declining water quality, diminishing commercial and sport fisheries”

www.saveamericasforests.org/resources/Scientists.htm
Clearcut Facts vs Fiction

United States Environmental Protection Agency:
“Local impacts of timber harvesting and road construction on water quality can be severe, especially in smaller headwater streams. These effects are of greatest concern where silvicultural activity occurs in high-quality watershed areas that provide municipal water supplies or support cold-water fisheries.”

Dr. Lee Frelich, Forest Ecologist
“Clearcutting virtually never replicates the types of disturbances that created early successional habitat under the natural disturbance regime.”

John Hutchinson, Wildlife Biologist
“The decline of species is a multi-factoral function. More common reason for decline is wintering habitat and migration route hazards such as cities and cell towers. A clearcut in New England would provide a boost in nesting habitat for a few species, but the unintended consequence is degradation of woodland habitat, particularly dense forest land, which is a more critical habitat and provides optimal nesting for many more species and much needed shelter and food for species migrating further north.”

Forest Stewardship Council
“The FSC Northeast Standard does not explicitly state that managers should be creating early successional habitat nor does it mention early successional being of importance.”

www.maforests.org/Timberspeak-Timber_Industry_Propaganda.pdf
Clearcutting and Carbon

Clearcutting is the Worst Option for Carbon Impacts

From “Forest Carbon Storage in the Northeastern United States” Nunery, et al. at the University of Vermont, Clearcutting is worse than selective logging, which is worse than no logging for carbon impacts. See carbon storage comparison below.

SAVE OUR NATIONAL TREASURE

STOP CLEARCUTTING WHITE MOUNTAIN NATIONAL FOREST NOW!

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