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should be managed for the wide range of values that are important to the public. These values include forest jobs, clean water, fish and wildlife habitat, hiking, fishing, hunting, wildlife watching, biking, horseback riding, ATV riding, mushroom hunting, firewood, camping, peace and quiet, and scenery. This is a complex challenge. Those values cannot coexist on every acre.

The current funding mechanism is not sufficient to meet this complex challenge. With 98% of Department revenues coming from timber sales, the pressure to cut is enormous, and will only increase as staff costs go up. This complete dependence on timber sales is an impediment to long-range comprehensive planning. The current funding model cannot realistically provide the full range of values demanded by the public. Public funds should be used to help provide those values, and I urge the Board to pursue public funding, similar to what we saw with the Elliott State Forest.

Thank you.

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