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Issues in the DEIS (please check the topics you are commenting on)

- ☐ Forest Vegetation ☐ Habitat Diversity ☐ Recreation
☐ Special Areas including Roadless Areas and Wilderness
☒ Other Concerns

The Proposed Plan follows a national model of forest management. While this model may be effective for managing other national forests, it is not an effective model to manage the Allegheny National Forest because there are unique characteristics associated with the Allegheny National Forest that simply are not present in other National Forests throughout the country.

For example, 93% of the subsurface rights are privately owned, which differs from any other National Forest in the country. Additionally, the Allegheny National

that does not take into account these characteristics should not have been implemented to develop the Proposed Plan.

Rather, a management strategy that takes into account the distinctive features of the Allegheny National Forest needs to be implemented in order to ensure that the benefits (economic and otherwise) associated with these distinctive features are maximized to the greatest extent possible. Therefore, the Proposed Plan must be rescinded and a new plan must be formulated based on a model of forest management that takes into account the unique characteristics associated with the Allegheny National Forest.