

Emailed Testimony from Richard Moulton March 21, 2025

I am writing in support for H.276, the Vermont Climate Resilience and State Wildlands Act.

This would seem to demand congressional support considering that this Camel's Hump State Forest came about from a gift of 1200 acres from Joseph Battell in 1911 and written into the deed was "Trees growing on the land herein conveyed are not to be cut - and the whole forest is to be preserved in a primeval state by planting or natural growth". Known as a wilderness visionary, Battell explained at the time that this gift was to protect the forest from the Lumber Industry.

I am not a lawyer, it would seem to me that any permitted logging would be a violation of Battell's gift to the State and its deed.

So I am solidly in favor this bill which will also protect other State Forests which we have largely because of conservation efforts and belief of Vermonters over the past 100 plus years.

Kindly submitted,
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Forgive my spelling and grammatical errors -

I am dyslexic -



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