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To:

Re: Manuel F. Correllus State Forest

As you are undoubtedly aware from reading the Vineyard Gazette, the State of Massachusetts is in the process of developing a plan for a large restoration and logging project on the State Forest in the center of the island. Although the details for that plan have yet to emerge the general appraoch appears to be based on the enclosed report that Glenn Motzkin and I developed five years ago. Following discussions with Tom Dunlop at the Gazette it seemed useful to make copies of the report available to people on the island so that they could be in a position to evaluate more critically any final proposal that does emerge concerning this important conservation area.

Please feel free to distribute these reports in whatever way you would like, including selling them to cover your expenses.

For your information we have also posted the report and a considerable amount of additional information regarding the ecology of Martha's Vineyard and the coastal region on the Harvard Forest web page. http://harvardforest.fas.harvard.edu

With best wishes.

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