



March 13.

It should have been a great day for America's National Forests.

America's National Forests. Most of these lands are open to logging, mining, and drilling.

So today, the last 30% of our National Forests was finally going to be protected . . . a haven for wildlife, a heritage for our children.

But the Bush Administration has said, "Not Today."

They could be on the road to saying, "Not Ever."

Despite 600 public hearings . . . despite a record 1.6 million comments from Americans . . . despite national and statewide polls showing broad support across party lines . . . logging and mining and drilling could resume on what's left of this national treasure.

The American people see these last wild forest lands as a legacy that must be protected.

President Bush, the American people understand that once these forests are gone, they're gone forever.

