Help Stop Planned Release of Genetically Engineered Trees into Forests!

Sign on to stop USDA legalization of the first ever GE tree for release into wild forests.

Researchers are seeking the unprecedented legalization of GE American chestnut trees into forests with the intention of spreading their GE pollen and seeds freely. **This would be the first time a fertile genetically modified organism (GMO) is released into wild ecosystems, opening the floodgates to others.**

**Engineers think they can (re)create nature in the lab, but neither trees nor any species can be replaced with GE facsimiles.** This is not restoration, but dangerous open air experimentation.

This experiment would threaten wild American chestnuts with contamination from GE chestnut pollen. **Decades of progress to restore wild American chestnut trees could be lost forever.**

**No long-term risk assessments have been done, and scientists warn such assessments are not possible.** American chestnuts can live hundreds of years and have deep intertwined relationships with other trees, and with insects, songbirds and other wildlife. Their impacts on forest biodiversity or human health are unknown.

I join individuals and organizations across the world in demanding the rejection of this and all genetically engineered trees. **We cannot allow this massive experiment with our forests.**

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