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## Central Tongass Landscape Level Analysis Questionnaire

The Forest Service is developing a comprehensive list of activities for analysis on the Petersburg and Wrangell Ranger Districts, and we want to hear from you! From this list, we will develop a proposal for implementing these activities over a 10 to 15 year period.

Q: Do you have an idea for a project on the Central Tongass?

A: Mitkof Island needs to be opened up to more timber sales. Roads need to be maintained and new areas opened up.

Q: What forest activities or resources are you interested in?

A: Hunting - fishing - camping - firewood

Q: How do the current Forest conditions affect your ability to use and enjoy the Tongass National Forest?

A: Thinning should be done sooner in some areas. Some old clear cuts are virtually impossible to walk through for man or large animal when thinning has been done on 20-ft tall trees.

Q: Are there specific places you would like to see developed, or remain undeveloped?

A: There is plenty of land locked up. Any area that is not a wilderness area should be looked at for possible development.



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**Q: Do you think there's anything the Forest Service can do to improve Forest conditions or public infrastructure in Petersburg or Wrangell Ranger Districts over the next 10 to 15 years? What are your ideas for us?**

Examples:

- ~~Convert roads to trails~~
- Improve or construct new boat launches
- Improve or establish dispersed campsites
- Provide timber harvest or salvage offerings
- Thin young-growth stands to benefit wildlife
- Manage and treat invasive plant populations
- Provide commercial/subsistence firewood gathering opportunities
- Build/improve trails to access known fishing spots

**A:**

Maintain roads  
Sell some timber  
Limit boat size and length of stay at Forest Service docks. These docks are a precious asset and boats over 30' restrict access for others and create a lot of wear & tear on the docks.

**Q: What can the Forest Service do to boost the local economy and its businesses?**

**A:**

It's time to get rid of the "hands off" policies that seem to have taken over. Every road is an asset for commercial & recreational uses. **KEEP THEM OPEN** Open up more areas so we aren't having a huge impact on a few little spots.

**Q: What else do you want to tell us about your ideas for the Petersburg and Wrangell Ranger Districts?**

**A:**

More thinning at an earlier age.  
I like to see roads kept open but if you do close a road make sure it's closed to all motorized vehicles.

You may fill out this form electronically or by hand. To save the completed form, choose File > Save As and rename the file. Your completed questionnaire can be mailed to: Petersburg Ranger District, PO Box 1328, Petersburg, AK 99833, faxed 907-772-5995, or emailed [comments-alaska-tongass-petersburg@fs.fed.us](mailto:comments-alaska-tongass-petersburg@fs.fed.us). Thank you for taking the time to respond!

