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Attn: Forest Plan Revision

Chugach National Forest

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Dear Forest Supervisor,

When I visit the Chugach National Forest, I want ample opportunities to experience wilderness and sustainably managed forests, not just the current "anything goes" landscape that remains subject to continued exploitation, abuse, and degradation.

I write today to express my strong opposition to the weakness and timidity of the draft forest plan prepared by your staff. Wilderness character is a resource as important to me as timber, scenery, minerals, wildlife, clean air and other resources. Your staffs draft plan fails miserably to acknowledge the value of wilderness.

Specifically, please direct your staff to supplement the draft to:

- * recommend wilderness designation for the western Prince William Sound, called the Nellie Juan-College.Fjord Wilderness Study Area (WSA), including Upper Columbia Glacier, West Port Wells, Glacier Island, Esther Island, the large area around Main Bay, Nellie Juan Lake, and Knight Island;

- * incorporate much tighter restrictions and limitations on motorized uses and mechanical transport in all WSAs and other potential wilderness areas throughout the Chugach NF;

There is more than enough logging, mining, motorized recreation, and other extractive/harmful uses already degrading the Chugach National Forest. How about some formal protection for WSAs and other potential wilderness areas?

Thank you for considering my views.

Sincerely yours,

Thomas Suk