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Comments: I'm writing as a US citizen, resident of Montana to adamantly support the US Forest Service taking ALTERNATIVE 1, the NO ACTION ALTERNATIVE regarding the Alaska Roadless Rule. I want the Roadless Rule protections left intact for the Tongass National Forest.

The impacts of a warming climate are visible throughout the US, and nowhere more obvious than in Alaska. The Tongass National Forest services as a giant carbon sink. It must be kept intact.

Simply adding roads detracts from its function as a carbon-storing forest by facilitating logging and/or further development. Our nation has no finer roadless area than the 9.3 million acres of the Tongass. This pristine old-growth temperate rain forest is home to moose, salmon, and grizzlies. This disregard for the value of the Tongass sets a destructive precedent for our nation's other national forests.

The NO ACTION ALTERNATIVE is the only rational science-based choice for this unspoiled forest.

[See attachment containing the following technical resource: "Old-growth Logging Transition on the Tongass National Forest, Tongass Society Letter 2015"]

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