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Comments: Logging "America's Amazon" would be a travesty. We tell other nations not to log but will ravage our own resources for monetary gain. Anybody supporting this is only after MONEY.

In addition:

Trump's National Forest Service is using a refuted scientific theory to justify building roads in our country's largest national forest.

The Forest Service says guidelines from the United Nations' climate authority would be followed. Two scientists whose research was cited in the U.N. study says the Forest Service is espousing junk science.

Beverly Law, an Oregon State University professor, says the Trump administration's argument is "misinformation."

The Tongass stores more carbon removed from the atmosphere than any other national forest in the country in its old-growth Sitka spruce, hemlock and cedar trees. It helps protect Alaska, which is warming more than twice as fast from climate change as our planet overall. The forest holds about 650 million tons of carbon or about half of U.S. carbon dioxide emissions in 2017.

Historically, large-scale industrial logging has damaged salmon streams. The Tongass is spawning ground for 40 percent of wild salmon along the West Coast.

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