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Comments: Dear Ladies and Gentlemen,

For many years I have kept a small sailboat in Wrangell. I have been fortunate to be able to travel extensively around Southeast Alaska in this boat, to see the unparalleled beauty and relative purity of its least traveled corners, its most fabulous attractions, and also, sad to say, its most shameful logging sites.

Back in 2016 when clear-cutting of old growth was again being considered for Wrangell Island, I prepared the attached Commentary. I was asked by SEACC to attend a Meet-and-Greet for Lisa Murkowski at the Stikine Inn. I was able to hand her a copy of it. While she is from an old pro-logging family from the slash-and-dash days of Alaska Pulp, I believe she is slowly coming around to the idea that cutting old growth trees is an insult to the environment, to those of us that have worked to develop alternatives, to those that travel to Alaska on the ultimate sightseeing trips of their lives, and everyone who dreams of Alaska.

Thank you.

Tim Murray

ATTACHMENT: Comment on The Wrangell Island Project, dated June 29, 2016