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Comments: Please count my voice as one more supporting the continued designation of the Wilderness Study Area in Chugach National Forest. As a long time forest user (and former USFS employee) I am very familiar with USFS policies. I fervently DO NOT SUPPORT the plan to allow personal use timber harvesting within the Wilderness Study Area. To me this policy violates the very intent of the study area's existence. Reducing stands of trees to stumps is not something any tourist wishes to see. The value of the forest is in it's native state.

I also like to see continued efforts to educate the increasing number of users on how to best protect the valuable resource we all enjoy experiencing. It is a true gem that is at risk of being loved to death.