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Comments: I am not an Alaskan but I have a deep attachment to Prince William Sound and have visited several times. It is place of beauty unimaginable by anyone who has never been there, and it needs to be protected from development, noise, resource extraction, traffic, and anything that would interfere with its ongoing preservation as a wilderness area.

I agree that the Forest Service should:

Recommit to the long-standing Alaska Region policy to preserve the area's wilderness character, with clear language to leave it undeveloped, untrammeled and nonmotorized (boats, airplanes and snowmachines traffic would continue under ANILCA's "traditional activities").

Follow the 1994 Exxon Valdez oil spill recovery plan's goals to restore the Sound's recreation, wilderness and conservation values.

Recommend Congress permanently protect Knight Island and the rest of the wilderness study area to secure today's protections for the future;

Recommend purchase of subsurface estate on all Exxon Valdez oil spill acquired lands and manage them for conservation and wilderness purposes, as stipulated in the purchase agreements.

Thank you,

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