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Comments: Last year my wife and I travelled from Australia to visit Prince William Sound. It was a profoundly moving experience, tempered with a good deal of anxiety about the changes that were already affecting the Sound's delicate ecosystem. The dramatic reduction in black bear population stood out immediately. I fear that the proposed weakening of protections for the Sound's ecosystem will result in many more unwelcome changes. On behalf of the many people who have travelled great distances to experience this unique place I implore you to strengthen, rather than weaken, the protections that the Sound now enjoys. Ultimately people like me will simply stop coming if the Sound's ecosystem continues to be degraded.

Regards, Peter Yuill