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Comments: The Plan must protect the "wilderness character" of the Chugach Forest, not the Forest Service's weak proposal to protect just its "existing character." Furthermore, the Plan must protect the wilderness character of the lands in the WSA by classifying all of them with the Forest Service's "Primitive" standard, which is the most protective standard in the agency's recreational classification system.

National Forests not only represent our present needs but also those of future generations. We must not sacrifice the future health of the forest ecosystem to satisfy short term exploitation.