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Comments: It is my understanding that the Forest Service is submitting a Final Plan and Environmental Impact Statement for the Nellie Juan-College Fiord Wilderness Study Area (WSA) and is also drafting a Land and Resource Management Plan for the Chugach National Forest.

I urge the Forest Service representatives to fully protect these areas as a true wilderness that keeps habitats and the environment completely wild for the species and indigenous people that continue to use the land. Alaska is known as "The Last Frontier" and needs to keep true its name.

After the Valdez Spill in 1989, the federal government purchased land within the WSA with the understanding and promise to restore wilderness values there and manage "in perpetuity for conservation and wilderness purposes." This needs to continue to be up-held because it takes more than twenty nine years to rebuild a healthy wilderness and restore the ecosystems that make up that area.

The Chugach National Forest (within the WSA) needs protection from the illegal use of chainsaws that continues to destroy that land and forest. I'm asking you to please address this issue as the draft for Land and Resource Management Plan is written and presented so this type of destruction does not continue - that also holds true for any other type of destruction of this area.

Finally, I ask that Alternative D Wilderness Recommendation be modified to include Lake Nellie Juan and the lands within the WSA boundary which were purchased for restoration of wilderness resources following the oil spill. Protections come in many different ways and this would also help build a healthy wilderness and restore ecosystems that were damaged or destroyed from the oil spill.

Thank you for your time and serious consideration of modifying your Impact Statement and Management Plan to continue to build a future for our wilderness.