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Comments: It is essential that The Plan protect the "wilderness character" of the WSA via classifying all of them with the most protective standard: The Forest Service's "Primitive" standard. These lands were acquired for the restoration of wilderness values and must be managed "in perpetuity for conservation and wilderness purposes," as promised when they were purchased.

The Chugach NF must address continued illegal recreational use of destructive chainsaws in the WSA. Alternative D recommends the maximum amount of land for Wilderness of any of the Alternatives (97 percent of the WSA, or 1.884 million acres). I support a modified Alternative D wilderness recommendation that also includes Lake Nellie Juan and the lands within the WSA boundary that were purchased for restoration of wilderness resources following the oil spill.