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I operate a charter boat in Prince William Sound. In the past 6 years that we've been here, we have come to appreciate that Prince William Sound is one of the most extraordinary wildernesses on earth. I do not say that lightly: before Prince William Sound, we worked in the Antarctic Peninsula, the Antarctic Island of South Georgia, and have traveled much of the world by boat.

Prince William Sound and the Chugach National Forest are a unique wilderness - it's easy to get to - no multi day passage through the Southern Ocean to get there - and yet, to all the yachtsmen, kayakers, hunters, and sport fishing boats, bays and inlets often show no sign of human visitation. Despite the heavy traffic in Prince William Sound, the Chugach has retained its pristine aspect. Fish hatcheries and small communities enrich the environment, rather than destroying it.

I fully support keeping the Nellie Juan-College Fjord study area intact with Alternative D and including EVOS-purchased land in Dangerous Passage and Knight Island.

There is plenty of Alaska to roar around in snows and four wheelers. Preserve the wilderness in the Chugach National Forest - it's one of the few places left.

Thank you,

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