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Comments: I am deeply concerned about the abolishment of the 2001 regulation known as the Roadless Rule, which bans new roads on more than 58 million acres of national forests that are already road-free. It is my understanding that the Trump administration has proposed exempting the Tongass from this rule, as part of a plan that would "remove all 9.2 million acres of inventoried roadless acres and would convert 165,000 old-growth acres and 20,000 young-growth acres previously identified as unsuitable timber lands to suitable timber lands.

As someone who knows of the high value of trees in providing ecosystem services such as storing Carbon and adding to needed air. Keeping forests healthy and road free also protect water quality. I realize that healthy Forests are more valuable than gold in allowing us to live on this planet...you can't get more basic than that. We absolutely must learn to place value on the old growth forests that remain on this planet. To put natural resources above money for the few that would benefit from such cutting of resources that benefit the entire world in the Ecosystem services they provide. This is about survival of our species and a myriad of other species...

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