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Comments: I am a BioResearch scientist which is good because I understand how small to very large Biosystems function. The bad is exactly the same I understand how small to very large Bio-systems function. Climate Change is coming whether you believe in it or not, the worlds ecosystems do not care what people think or want to happen. Climate Change is accelerating faster than anyone predicted and the only way to buffer the change in critical environments is to protect as much of our still untouched by people forests and environments we have left. First these forests and environments hold a large amounts of C02 in their biomass and continue to take up and sequester C02 from our environment slowing Climate Change. They also hold large numbers of diverse plants and animals which we will need to buffer and adapted to Climate Change, because the environments people have altered to fit their needs have very little diversity and ability to adapt to Climate Change. Alaska's wild untouched environments are one of the things which may give civilization as we know it a chance to adapt and survive. It would be a sin to our children and grandchildren to not give them a chance.

In addition extracting all the resources from these areas to put 80% of the profits into Big Corporate pockets at the same time damaging the public's safety and survival should be considered a Crime against American Citizens everywhere.

Thank You for letting me express my opinion on the Alaska Roadless Rule and Draft Environmental Impact Statement.

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