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Comments: The Tongass is a perfect place to leave roadless. It is mostly above timberline, so there isn't as much wood there as some imagine. Those mountains are more rugged than most non-Alaskans can imagine, & pose a significant pure engineering obstacle to any useful road. Much of the resource would be already gone by the time the roads were finished, as building them would require the removal of the cores of the forested areas, no matter the purpose of the roads.

We have few enough rain forests now, as it is. The best technology we have for scrubbing greenhouse gasses from the atmosphere is called...trees...& removing them is a big self-defeating mistake.

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