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Comments: We have learned here in Redwood country that people don't visit here to see more development. They come for relief from the crowding of cities and to enjoy the wondrous beauty of old growth forests. The same is true for Alaska and the Tongas National Forest. It is the awesome sight of old growth forests, the plentiful and healthy runs of fish, and the bountiful wildlife that draws them. The economy of Alaska is far better served by a sustainable tourist economy than by a short term extractive one that relies on destroying irreplaceable old growth and wild forests. Building roads in to these areas only detracts from those values. There is not enough market to justify the rampant logging of the Tongas. Roads and the development that follows reduces wildlife and fish. It is the idea that some places in this world remain intact and pristine that brings people to see them. Don't give up the long term healthy resources for the short term gain of some logging company. No one EVER travels to see a clear cut!

Please maintain the roadless nature of the majority of the Tongas.

Thank you.

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