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Comments: The roadless area for the Tongass is part of a vast eco-system that is one of the last temperate forests left on earth. During a time of climate change, we need to preserve these vital areas so we can capture more carbon through the forests and trees.

The scientific argument behind this is quite robust because this vast ecosystem is a part of a vast interconnected network that supports fish and animal habitat. To allow logging or mineral extraction in this area would be destroying this ecosystem without any natural replacement mechanisms.

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I urge you to strongly oppose this proposal.
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