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I know the lumber industry would benefit from being allowed to clear cut old growth timber from the Tongas. But this is the wrong time to sacrifice such a valuable resource for absorbing carbon dioxide from the planet's air. Saplings and young trees are too small to do the task-- it would take 5 to 11 decades for the clear cut forest to recover.

I would like to help the lumber men & women, but not in this way. Other industries will be harmed outside of Alaska as well as those in the Tongas area, particularly salmon & tourist.

I support Alternative 1 as doing the least harm.

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