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Comments: Protect Tongass National Forest and preserve the roadless rule

Tongass National Forest is an incredible natural resource that helps support the local Alaskan economy --- especially in the tourism and fishing sector, which constitute 25% of the local economy --- while logging only makes up 1% of the economy. Please preserve Tongass National Forest for future generations. Do not open up this national treasure for logging and road-building. This short sighted policy will be hugely environmentally destructive, deal a severe blow to the forest's natural ability to sequester atmospheric carbon in its soils and trees, and will hinder the region's rich fisheries and landscapes on which locals depend for sustainable livelihoods.

Please make the right decision, preserve the roadless rule, and do not open Tongass to road-building and logging. Please. For the love of God. The current generation is watching, and future generations will judge you based on the decision you make. Please be on the right side of history.

A concerned American citizen,

Russell Sticklor

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