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Comments: I oppose changing the roadless rule in Alaska. Old growth forest, in general, is irreplaceable on human time scales. The Tongass Forest in particular, is home to many endangered species and is a major carbon sink, critical as we face very limited timeliness to drastically reduce our emissions.

I live in northern Maine where timber is an essential part of the economy, so I appreciate the desire to profit from the land and natural resources. However, the Tongass Forest is an incomparable resource, one of the largest intact wilderness areas in the United States. Damaging it by allowing resource extraction does a disservice to not only current citizens of the United States, but future generations as well.

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