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Comments: The Tongass, the nation's largest National Forest, should never be sectioned by roads. I stand firmly in opposition to this roadless rule exemption. The wild places of the world are disappearing at record paces and we should not willfully contribute to this horrible process. The decadent diversity should be left alone as wide swaths of forest perform crucial ecosystem services such as carbon sequestration (an action we desperately need now), filtration of fresh water, etc. That is not taking into account its natural beauty and vitality and the plentiful widlife that depend on the forest staying whole. People who live near the Tongass (unless they are connected to big industries) strongly do not want this pristine forest destroyed which will inevitably happen when we begin to weaken environmental protections. Please do not pass this rule as it has certain selfish intentions that are fueled by dark money and deep pocketed interests, not public support.

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