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Comments: To whom it may concern,

Please do not exempt the Tongass National Forest from the 2001 Roadless Rule. This action is horrible for the environment. No surprise there, since the Trump administration has repeatedly shown it doesn't care in the slightest about the environment.

So, let me appeal to you based on economics. The real lifeblood of the Tongass region is fishing and tourism, both of which stand to be adversely affected by increased logging. Moreover, these timber projects actually cost the U.S. government a bunch of money. Aren't Republicans supposed to be fiscally responsible? Why, then, are you approving things like the Big Thorne timber project of a couple of years ago, which the Forest Service's own analysis estimated would cost taxpayers some \$13 million.

Logging the Tongass is a boondoggle in more ways than one. Please do the right thing for once and keep the Roadless Rule intact.

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