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Comments: What benefit could come from this? As mentioned in the Supplementary Information section, there are already roads that run through the Tongass National Forest. This is not an attempt to facilitate "access to municipal water and wastewater utility systems, Alaska Native cultural sites, micro and small timber sales, aquaculture facilities, and administrative access to designated experimental forests." No, as stated, this measure has one purpose: to allow for timber harvest on what are now protected lands in order for logging companies to turn a profit. This brings us to something of a crossroads: will America be a country that strives to protect its natural beauty so it can be enjoyed by posterity, or do we value profit for the few over nature as the common heritage of the many? I believe that the risk of the loss of this ecosystem is too great to pursue logging here, especially when, as according to the proposal, there will be no significant change to revenues incurred.

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