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Comments: Although I am not from Alaska, I have visited the state a number of times. I have a nephew who has lived in Fairbanks and on Kodiak. We have backpacked and traveled in many areas of Alaska. The Tongass National Forest is a national treasure. Not only for those who live, work, and visit the area. But also for the entire country and world. We must keep these areas in as pristine of a condition as possible. The current roadless rules keep the Tongass and other large natural areas safe from road building and logging which would irreparably damage the forest. I prefer Option 1 which would keep intact the current laws. Thank you.

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