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Comments: I am AGAINST the proposed alterations to the Roadless Rule, which currently helps to protect fish and wildlife habitat on federal lands, protects drinking water, and protects recreation and business opportunities, all of which are crucial components in Alaska's communities and economy. This proposal has been painted as an economic necessity, but this is patently false; the value of the Tongass lies in the fish that inhabit its rivers and streams, which comprise 80% of the salmon annually harvested from the region, and in the tourism, both of which offer sustainable sources of income for the area. Please choose a long-term plan that protects the Tongass and its resources, rather than the short-term plan of logging, which would devastate the fishing and tourism industries for an indeterminate length of time, potentially irreversibly.

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