Data Submitted (UTC 11): 11/17/2019 9:00:00 AM First name: Rachel Last name: Youens Organization: UAW Title: Comments: Dear Forest Service Adminstrators,

I am writing to voice my concern about revoking the roadless rule for the Tongass National Forest. In this time of emergency for forests around the globe, the Tongass is especially vulnerable. I have family in Wrangell, AK and have visited the Tongass, and I see it as a particularly valuable and sacred place. To open up 9 million acres, to rip it apart, with many species of plants and animals whom have been there for 1,000's of years would yet be another destructive and greedy action that would erode another forest that is the lungs of the earth. This is not mere sentimentality. This is real and now. President Roosevelt declared The Tongass Forest to be nationally protected because he saw it's special value in America. I expect the Forest Service to act in good faith, rather than to succumb to short term profits.

Sincerely,

**Rachel Youens** 

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