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To whom it may concern,

I would like to express my displeasure with the proposed plans to construct roads in the Tongass National Forest. This forest is one of the few remaining forests in the world that has been left relatively unscathed by the hands of man. Changing this would be a a mistake for a few reasons. First and foremost, the flora and fauna that reside in this forest live a peaceful existence and should be allowed to continue doing so. Humans have destroyed habitats around the world on an increasing scale as our population increases and the continuation of this process would be a mistake on the behalf of the United States Federal Government. The United States is supposed to set an example for the rest of the world as it did when establishing the first National Parks under the leadership of Teddy Roosevelt. If the U.S. decides that the importance of untouched forests is no longer greater than the increased wealth of a few companies then we have failed to set the right example for other nations. Secondly, it is well known that medical and other technological advances have been drawn from the worlds forests. By destroying natural habitats, humans decrease the opportunity to discover valuable resources that remain undiscovered. Finally, the pristine nature of this forest is what draws so many tourists to the region. By changing this the Forest Service will damage the local economy by making the Tongass National Forest no different than any other forest in the world. I support Alternative 1.

Thank you,

Alaskan Resident Michael Willis

Sent from my iPhone

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