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To Whom it May Concern:

As a US citizen concerned with how all US forests are managed, I would like to voice my desire for USFS to maintain the Roadless Rule in Alaska's Tongass National Forest, also identified as Alternative 1 in the Draft Environmental Impact Statement.

Few forests in the US are left that have preserved large enough acreages to be protected under the Roadless Rule, and fewer still have large acreages of old growth forest left. Protection of these regions as they are will offer wildlife--as global warming dramatically effects all ecosystems--the greatest chance of survival and flourishing.

Those who currently depend on an intact forest for their subsistence and livelihood also deserve to be honored and respected, particularly Native American populations that pre-date US possession and ownership of these forest lands.

Please do the right thing, count my voice, and manage these forest lands for the good of all US citizens, far beyond near sighted locals with an eye purely for economic benefit.

Thanks for taking the time to read my comment.

Sincerely,

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