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To whom it may concern,

A close friend and fisherman from Seattle mentioned this consideration recently. I am honestly shocked that that this pristine area is even being considered for logging. As a nation we have vast areas of second and third growth forests available for renewable harvest, much of which is on leased land that provide revenue to the Forest Service.

I come from a family with a logging history and a community on the Olympic Peninsula where logging has been a significant part of the local economy. I understand the balance and benefits of resource management. But there are too few areas in the world that are as unspoiled as the Tongass, and I would be deeply ashamed and disgusted by a short sighted decision to alter that landscape. There are other options available for timer revenue.

Best regards,

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