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Comments: Comments to oppose modification to the Roadless Rule

Dear U.S. Forest Service,

I support Alternative 1 - take no action and leave all of Alaska under the 2001 Roadless Rule, including the Tongass National Forest.

9 million acres of roadless areas make the Tongass America's wildest remaining national forest. The Roadless Rule protects old-growth habitat for birds, mammals, and fish. Opening roadless areas to more logging and roads will fragment the forest and eliminate more of the big old trees that these animals rely on.

800 year old trees store 8% of the carbon dioxide of all U.S. forests. Logging releases most of that climate-altering CO2 into the atmosphere.

Sincerely,

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