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Comments: Comments to oppose modification to the Roadless Rule

Dear U.S. Forest Service,

I have spent a couple summers in the roadless areas of the Tongass Forest, and also tromping through cutover areas. The contrast between the two areas could not be more stark. I understand the need to maintain some level of a forestry industry but clearly an industry that depends on a old-growth timber is not sustainable.

In addition holding back the development of a logging industry that can be sustained in the future, it negatively impacts other activities in the forest such as wildlife habitats, especially salmon rearing areas and deer wintering areas. Also impacted is the tourism industry, especially as clearcuts work to limit tourist opportunities. Please support the Roadless Rule into the future. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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