Data Submitted (UTC 11): 10/25/2019 8:00:00 AM

First name: Barbara Last name: Backman

Organization:

Title:

Comments: Comments to oppose modification to the Roadless Rule

Dear U.S. Forest Service,

The Roadless Rule means NO ROADS. Roads mean vehicles and human activity. The Tongass is one of world's largest intact carbon sinks - helping to keep the earth's temperature increases under control.

However, ALL of the action alternatives in the Draft Environmental Impact Statement allow more roadbuilding and logging across the Tongass. Logging roads and timber operations cost tens of millions of taxpayer dollars every year AND these destructive activities degrade the naturally sustainable wealth of salmon, wildlife watching, and tourism opportunities.

PLEASE, select the "No Action" Alternative (Alternative 1) and allow the Roadless Rule to remain intact on the Tongass National Forest.

Sincerely,

Barbara Backman

Canton, CT 06019

[Position]