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Dear U.S. Forest Service,

The Roadless Rule helps protect old-growth habitat for birds as well as for wolves and deer. Also intact, ancient forests are strongholds of climate resilience

The Draft Environmental Impact Statement allow more roadbuilding and logging across the Tongass National Forest. Logging roads and timber operations cost tens of millions of TAXPAYERS dollars every year, with zero return on investment. Meanwhile, these destructive activities degrade the naturally sustainable wealth of salmon, wildlife watching, and tourism opportunities.

Please stop opening more and more acres to the timber industry and instead bolster protections to the old-growth forests and wild areas on the Tongass. Please select the "No Action" Alternative and allow the Roadless Rule to remain intact on the Tongass National Forest.

Sincerely,

Karlyn Andrews

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