Data Submitted (UTC 11): 11/16/2019 9:00:00 AM First name: Nancy Last name: Patch Organization: Title: Comments: Protect the Tongass It is proven science that old growth forest sequester and store vastly mor carbon than managed forests. As a professional Forester myself I fully understand that exemplary managed forests contribute greatly to natural climate solutions which can account for 37% of the goal to limit temp increases to 1.5 Celsius. The priorities however are this. 1) keep all the existing old forest left in the world to forever wild, self willed forests 2) reforest land wherever possible 3) manage forests with multiple age classes, diverse species and structure including some very old, very big trees and build soil The Tongass is special, keep it that way. Thank you! Nancy Patch Forest Stewards Guild **Policy Council** Board member Two Countries, One Forest

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