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Comments: Opposition to exempting Tongass NF from 2001 Roadless Rule

Dear USDA Forest Service,

I am writing today to express my strong opposition to exempting the Tongass NF from the 2001 Roadless Rule.

This effort abdicates our responsibility to care for our natural lands, ignores the importance of these areas in mitigating climate change, would negatively affect Alaska's tourism industry, and, yet again, subjugates the Native peoples in Alaska.

I am strongly in favor of Alternative 1, which "takes no action and would leave all of Alaska under the 2001 Roadless Rule, including the Tongass National Forest."

I urge you not to succumb to industry lobbying pressures and money. Make the ethical decision, and preserve this amazingly beautiful forest indefinitely. Do not bring yet another shameful injustice into the history of our nation.

Sincerely,

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