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Comments: Proposed Alaskan Roadless Rule

I support Alternative 1 - "takes no action and would leave all of Alaska under the 2000 Roadless Rule, including the Tongass National Forest".

I support alternative 1 for the following reasons:

- The most obvious wildlife corridors have already been cut; those left are absolutely necessary. Island ecosystems do not provide intact services.
- The Salmon industry is reliant on old-growth trees. The fishing industry is reliant on an old-growth intact Tongass Forest.
- 25% of state economy is tourism. Tourism is reliant on an intact Tongass National Forest.
- 1% of state economy is logging. Industrial logging is heavily subsidized and only a FEW people are making money off of it in this region. It has a short life (boom & bust) and is done for the benefit of one mill. This mill is refusing to transition to second growth equipment and has stated they will leave when the old-growth is gone.

Thank you for your time.

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