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Comments: Please Keep 'Roadless Rule' Protections

Dear U.S. Forest Service,

Please do not eliminate "Roadless Rule" protections for the Tongass National Forest and I beg you to select the "no action" alternative instead.

Tongass is America's wildest remaining national forest and home to a wide range of wildlife. It also stores a vast amount of carbon as a carbon-reserve life raft in this time of climate change. Logging releases most of that carbon into the atmosphere.

Further, I oppose your plan to allow the agency to open any of the 5 million acres of roadless areas on the Chugach National Forest to bulldozing and clearcutting for logging. This is simply a backdoor repeal of the 2001 Roadless Rule, which protects all roadless lands because of the critical role they play in protecting pure water, secure wildlife habitat and remote recreation.

Please - think of future generations by selecting the "no action" alternative to maintain "Roadless Rule" protections for the Tongass and Chugach.

Sincerely,

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