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Dear U.S. Forest Service,

I am a long-time volunteer in America's public land systems, and I am writing to strongly oppose the Forest Service's plan to eliminate "Roadless Rule" protections for the Tongass National Forest. I request that you select the "no action" alternative instead.

Leave it to the Trump Administration and their dirty back-door deals with Sen. Murkowski. It was only a matter of time that this irresponsible pair would attack America's wildest remaining national forest and ignore the impact on wildlife and climate change. Trump once called himself an environmentalist -- this isn't how an environmentalist behaves.

The Tongass belongs to all Americans -- that's what a national forest means. And now you want to open it to clearcutting and bulldozing so Murkowski and Trump can get a few more votes?

I also 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.

Stop selling your souls for Trump and choose the "no action" alternative to maintain "Roadless Rule" protections for the Tongass and Chugach.

Sincerely,

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