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Comments: We often talk of preserving our beautiful public lands for future generations, and this is our greatest downfall. If we tell ourselves that we will preserve this land for someone else, somewhere in the future, we will do nothing. If we tell ourselves that this land is for us and that it must be saved for us in the present day, then maybe, finally, we will raise the alarm.

Having grown up on the east coast as an avid outdoor lover, I've been told that Alaska holds some of the most awe-inspiring wilderness in the country. A proper wilderness does not have roads.

I am a college student. I am young. I may even be the beginning wave of this "next generation" that so often comes up in land preservation, in politics. I know, however, that I have not lived long enough to be ready to watch a collection of "lasts" disappear forever. The last of each endangered species, the last truly dark skies in the country, the last clean waters and yes, some of the very little roadless forest in the United States of America. I am terribly afraid that we are protecting this land for future generations, and in doing so, doing very little to protect it at all.

Do not roll back the Roadless Rule for Alaska's Tongass National Forest.

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