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Comments: I am a Tlingit and Aleut woman and I am strongly opposed to the repeal of the roadless rule. Our culture relies on the health of the salmon, which are already threatened by global climate change and overfishing. With the destruction of forested areas would come the destruction of crucial salmon breeding grounds that allow them to keep living. Each salmon breeding site is unique, and the destruction of salmon diversity with the repeal of the roadless rule would be devastating and harm salmon's long term ability to adapt and thrive. Additionally, the industrialization of one of Alaska's beautiful natural places would be an incredible tragedy in and of itself. Other places can be logged. Other places can be mined. The Tongass National Forest is the largest national forest in the US, please don't deprive our great state of holding that immense honor and responsibility by exploiting it for profit. Later generations will remember your decision. They will judge you for what you choose to value.

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