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Comments: Dear Forest Service,

I am strongly in favor of Alternative 1 of this proposal and keeping current Roadless Rule protections in place for all of Alaska, including the Tongass. As you well know, the Tongass National Forest includes the largest temperate rainforest left in North America, and holds nearly a third of all the old-growth temperate rainforest left on Earth. The Tongass is a biodiversity hot spot and is so important to the people who live there. We simply cannot afford to lose more of our wild places to unnecessary industrial activities that make a few people rich at the expense of all of us.

Climate change is one of the most serious issues facing our country and planet, and the last thing we should be doing is cutting down the last of our old growth forests and removing critical carbon sinks.

Please listen to the American people rather than lobbyists and industry. The Tongass is one of the most precious living libraries left on this Earth and we would be utter fools to destroy it.

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