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Comments: Dear Forest Service,

I appreciate the work you do in the Tongass. The Tongass National Forest is the crown jewel of the National Forest system, and is a priceless carbon sink, a renewable powerhouse for wild salmon that attracts millions of tourists each year. It is also a plentiful source of second-growth timber for harvest. One thing that is not plentiful in the Tongass any more is old growth. That is why I am writing again in support of the No Action Alternative, leaving the Roadless Rule intact to protect what remaining old-growth we have for salmon habitat, deer habitat, subsistence, recreation and tourism. The public comment from Alaskans has been overwhelmingly in favor of keeping the Roadless Rule. I expect that the Forest Service will honor this public input, and focus its valuable energies on important services like rehabilitating clearcut areas, protecting habitat, and improving recreational and tourist access. Any other course of action will irreparably damage the public trust in the administration of the Forest Service, and cause harm to irreplaceable tracts of forest.

Sincerely,

Matthew Jackson

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