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Comments: I strongly oppose the Proposed Rule which will exempt the Tongass National Forest from the 2001 Roadless Rule.

The Roadless Rule fights climate change. The Tongass National Forest stores the equivalent of 8 percent of all the stored carbon in the Lower 48's national forests put together, making it one of the most important carbon sinks in the country.

The Roadless Rule protects drinking water, salmon runs (80% of commercial salmon in SE Alaska), and imperiled wildlife.

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