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Comments: On the frontline of a changing climate, I imagine Alaskans uniting to stop the deforestation of the Tongass. My name is Kimberly Slone and I live in Wasilla, Alaska. I'm strongly opposed to lifting the roadless rule in the Tongass National Forest and I support "no action" which would leave the roadless rule in place. The future for Southeast Alaska is fishing, recreation, and tourism. I imagine electric ferries (which would cut emissions by 95% and costs by 80%) transporting Alaskans and tourist to Southeast Alaska. Or perhaps we'll take a flight to the Tongass on one of Zunum Aero's electric planes. Either way, I imagine an ecologically sound trail system throughout the Tongass that would lure mountain bikers and hikers from around the world. And I imagine treehouses and cabins built with environmental stewardship and LEED design principles in mind to be available to the public. I imagine Alaskan youth coming to the Tongass to serve their country and to learn leadership and STEM skills, I imagine the Tongass to be a place of healing for those who are suffering from addiction and other mental health issues. They too could learn new skills and regain a sense of community. I imagine the surrounding towns and Juneau supporting small businesses and growing the hospitality industry. I imagine spas for weary travelers and community bath houses for locals. I imagine quiet, electric flightseeing tours to view the old growth forest and all its inhabitants. I imagine the Tongass National Forest as a resource to boost local economies. Quirky, uniquely Alaskan towns and cities along with the awe inspiring natural beauty and wildlife here in Alaska are the reason people come to Alaska. The future of Southeast Alaska depends on the Tongass National Forest and so, I'm strongly opposed to putting a road through it.

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