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Comments: I respectfully ask that you do not allow Special Areas; Roadless Area Conservation; National Forest System Lands in Alaska rule to pass.

These forests are not only important for the health of the US environment, but also help to contribute to the World's environmental health as well.

If the logging companies need more logs, they should have been planting trees for the past several decades rather than expecting to continue cutting trees in National Forests until they are gone. Why was this ever acceptable anyway? This is just another example of corporate welfare while cutting benefits for poor people who actually need assistance.

"Climate models show Alaska warming faster than the rest of the countrythe changes are already visiblebut the Tongass is poised to fare better than its surrounding landscapes, DellaSala said. That could make it an oasis for wildlife that feels climate pressures elsewhere. But destroying habitat by logging and fragmenting the remainder with roads undermines that option, he said." -Scientific American

It is time to stop undermining what is good for the entire nation in favor of supporting big business in avoiding federal taxes or taking responsibility for themselves. Businesses typically have to supply something. A product or service. The government does not provide them with the product or service. The government doesn't make cars and then give them to a dealership to sell. Why are we giving our forests away to logging companies and allowing our ecological treasures to be destroyed, our water and air contaminated to make a few at the top rich? Why aren't they purchasing land, planting trees as any other crop as they do in other parts of the country? They pay for the land, the trees, grow them, harvest them, then sell them. It should not come at the expense of our national forests and the taxpayers.

Save our forests. Do not allow them to be chopped up, fragmented, polluted and destroyed for the short term monetary gain of a few. If they want to log, let them provide their own trees on their own land.

Thank you.

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