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Comments: I am writing to support the No-Action Alternative for the Draft Environmental Impact Statement on the proposed Alaska Roadless Rule, Alternative #1. I support keeping the current Roadless Rule protections in place and intact for the Tongass National Forest. Trumps plan is yet another attack from the Trump administration on Indigenous rights. Alaskan Native communities -- including the Tlingit, Haida, and Tsimshian peoples -- have depended on the Tongass Rainforest for millennia. It is the backbone to their culture, traditions, and communities -- we simply cannot let it disappear.

There is no reason why we should even be using petrol or fossil fuel products we can run cars, trucks, on solid hydrogen as demonstrated by Stan Ovshinsky. We can run trains and fly planes on biodiesel, we can even make plastic-like products from biomass cellulose products so there is no reason why we should be using petrol products at all. By not using biofuels you are hurting American Farmers. So please stop allowing drilling for oil, fracking for gas, which pollutes the atmosphere and destabilizes the earth's crust by drilling and fracking. We need to move toward a sustainable and renewable future. In addition, there are biofuels which would help American Farmers make money that are also available to be used for fuel so there is no reason for us to be using petrol at all. Fundamentally the use of petrol is old world moronic thinking. Are you a wise person or a moron, be a wise person and oppose such horrible environmental damage. We all live on this planet and we only have one planet we have to be as the bible says good stewards of the earth. Do not give into greed or for the lust of power, greed and the lust for power leads to perdition. If we do not invest in a green infrastructure then the United States of America will fall behind in these technologies. All new cars should be biodiesel hybrids this would go far to eliminate pollution. Countries like China will gain market share in these areas of business. If we have sustainable green energy we will always eternally have sustainable green energy. This is a wise decision to switch to clean energy so we will always have energy.

The Tongass contains some of the largest intact old-growth temperate rainforest in the world, and its value in providing clean water for fish and wildlife habitat is essential to the economic and ecological health of Southeast Alaska. I urge you to keep the federal Roadless Rule intact and current protections in place for national forests in Alaska.

In addition, I strongly object to your plans to reduce and remove protections from our national forests roadless areas. The Roadless Rule is one of the smartest and most popular land management policies the Federal Government has ever adopted. Not only does it preserve some of Americas best fish and wildlife habitat, but it also saves untold millions of taxpayer dollars that might otherwise be spent to subsidize money-losing timber sales. The value of the Roadless Rule in preventing environmentally damaging and economically wasteful road-building and logging is particularly relevant in the Tongass, where logging costs vastly exceed timber revenues and require unconscionable taxpayer subsidies.

Regards, Reverend Scholar

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