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Comments: It's been proven that timber harvest disturbs forest floor stability, adding tons of silt into already compromised streams and rivers thus impacting the integrity of viable spawn grounds for a diminished and fragile salmon population. One has to look no further than British Columbia. This would directly affect the economy in South East Alaska as the area is dependent on tourism and fishing industry dollars. Temporary jobs in timber will not create permanent economic stability for SE but only add to the downward spiral in a healthy ecosystem we are facing due to dryer, warmer summers and winters. Plenty of other areas in the lower 48 can be harvested in a more economic fashion and not degrade any further a very threatened necessary forest. Can't we save anything for future generations? Where is the pride in clearcutting and only looking at forests as a resource? The money will all be taken out of the state anyways just as the oil industry has done. Tourists are amazed by the huge virgin forests and we need to consider the impact lumber harvest has on tourism. Northern California and Oregon have suffered the fate of Alaska if the Roadless Rule is struck down. No fish, no trees, no jobs after timber. Keep it WILD!

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