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To whom it may concern,

I strongly urge you to support Alternative 1 for the Tongass National Forest and all of Alaska to maintain the current roadless rule. I support a healthy AK economy that takes advantage of the realistic economic opportunities that will be available in the coming years, such as increased recreational opportunities. As a Montanan whose family has been logging for generations, I understand the importance logging can play in a rural economy. However, I do not support spending tax dollars on expensive roads and timber subsidies for the Tongass when logging only represents 1% of Southeast AK economy, whereas the recreational industry represents 25%. This area is also critical wild Pacific salmon habitat and should be protected for the salmon's commercial, cultural, and ecological values.

Thank you for reading this comment and I hope you support Alternative 1 to leave all of Alaska under the 2001 Roadless Rule.

Sydney Weydemeyer

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