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Comments: Keep the Roadless Rule in Place for the Tongass National Forest

Dear Interdisciplinary Team Leader, Alaska Roadless Rule Ken Tu,

I moved to Southeast Alaska when I was 22, and it truly changed the way that I view the world. The community of people I found there, the unparalleled access to the outdoors, and the amazing opportunities for scientific discovery make it one of the MOST IMPORTANT SPACES to protect in this country. I work seasonally in Alaska now, and my job opportunities and contribution to the Alaska economy would be significantly harmed by any endeavor to harm the Tongass and surrounding marine environments. TOURISM is a much more significant part of the Alaskan economy than logging. The Roadless Rule exemption would be an economic and environmental disaster for Alaska.

Wildness is a rare thing to find, and Southeast Alaska has some of the most precious wild spaces left in the world. Please, if not for my generation of young adults who are trying to make this world a better place, protect these forests so that my children and my children's children can experience the awe and gratitude I feel every day when I step outside.

KEEP THE ROADLESS RULE IN PLACE. PLEASE.

Sincerely,

Alicia Dibble

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