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I strongly oppose the proposed exemption of the Tongass National Forest from the 2001 Roadless Rule, and also oppose possible modifications to the Chugach National Forest Inventoried Roadless Area boundaries.

The correct decision is to protect the two largest national forests in our country. Preserve the health of our wild salmon by leaving the Roadless Rule fully intact. Preserve the health of our state and nation by ensuing the old growth forests will remain intact. A loosening of the Roadless Rule would bring harm to the fisheries, economies, and valuable, living cultures throughout Southeastern and Southcentral Alaska.

Please protect the forest and our future as Alaskans!

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