Data Submitted (UTC 11): 12/17/2019 9:00:00 AM First name: Mary Last name: Galbraith Organization: Title: Comments: Protect the Tongass and Chugach national forests Dear Secretary Perdue, I am writing to express my disappointment with the U.S. Forest Service's proposed Alaska Roadless Rule and associated draft environmental impact statement. Roadless area protections sustain southeast Alaska's ancient forests, including thousand-year-old sitka spruce, western hemlock, and western red cedar. Tribal communities rely on the Tongass for traditional uses dating back thousands of years. The Tongass is also home to endemic species including brown bears, wolves, eagles, blacktailed deer, and world-class salmon habitat. It is more important for our children, grandchildren, etc. forever, to have access to these wonders than the economic value of any of its products. Please stop the rollback of the important 2001 national Roadless Rule in Alaska and protect the Tongass and Chugach national forests! Sincerely, Mary Galbraith Shorewood, Wisconsin

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