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U.S. Forest Service Alaska Roadless Rule Committee:

I moved to Alaska from upper Michigan because I wanted to experience a land that has not been dramatically altered by human activity. All you have to do is look back in history and see what has happened in the lower states from logging old growth forest and the devastating effect it has had on the pristine watersheds and habitats they once provided. There are very few places left on this planet where we haven't had a devastating effect on the ecosystem and this is one. It should be left alone and preserved for future generations to see how the world was before humans intervened in the natural course evolution.

The Roadless Rule has been instrumental in conserving the Chugach and Tongass National Forest and in supporting their associated fish and wildlife-based industries for almost 20 years. Please uphold the Rule's protections for important fish and wildlife areas, including the Tongass 77, by selecting the 'no action' alternative. Roadless areas are an important source of food, jobs, and income through commercial, subsistence, and recreational fishing. Salmon are part of Alaska's culture and we must protect them and their spawning streams. Please do not roll back roadless area protections for habitat that our irreplaceable fish and wildlife populations need to survive.

Sincerely,

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