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Dear Secretary Perdue,

I am writing to support the No-Action Alternative for the Draft Environmental Impact Statement on the proposed Alaska Roadless Rule, Alternative #1. I support keeping the current Roadless Rule protections intact for the Tongass National Forest. Old-growth forests like the Tongass are powerful tools for fighting climate change - they store carbon, protect wildlife, and support local communities that rely on tourism and recreation. The Roadless Rule is one of the smartest and most popular land management policies the Federal Government has ever adopted. Not only does it preserve some of America's best fish and wildlife habitat, but it also saves untold millions of taxpayer dollars that might otherwise be spent to subsidize money-losing timber sales. The value of the Roadless Rule in preventing environmentally damaging and economically wasteful road-building and logging is particularly relevant in the Tongass, where logging costs vastly exceed timber revenues and require unconscionable taxpayer subsidies.

Sincerely,

Trees are the earth's *lungs * [text underlined for emphasis]

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