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Dear U.S. Forest Service:

The Roadless Rule has been instrumental in conserving the Tongass National Forest and in supporting its fish and wildlife-based industries for more than 20 years. ***Please uphold the Rule's protections for important fish and wildlife areas, including the Tongass 77.*** [Text bolded for emphasis] 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 are protection for habitat that our irreplaceable fish and wildlife populations need to survive.***[Text bolded for emphasis]

Customize your comment by listing reasons the Tongass is important to you or why you value Alaska Roadless areas: (ex: specific locations you recreate, activities you do, or why you value fish & wildlife) [Text italicized]

The exemptions have done an exceptional job protecting a very small area of the Tongass. Logging is not sustainable in these areas, and will cost more. Our wildlife and these ancient forests cannot be replaced. I was recently in S.E., and treasure recreating in the forest; Tongass forever!

Sincerely,

Would you like to volunteer with TU Alaska to Help America's Salmon Forest?

Yes No

[Position]