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U.S. Forest Service Alaska Roadless Rule Committee:

As a lover of outdoor recreation, in particular fly fishing for salmon and trout, I am especially enamored of the vast Alaskan wilderness. It is vitally important to preserve these wild areas and the plants and animals that live there. I fervently hope that the Roadless Rule is maintained in order to conserve the wild habitat, a heritage and ecosystem that are invaluable and irreplaceable.

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 more than 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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