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U.S. Forest Service Alaska Roadless Rule Committee:

I live at the mouth of the Klamath river in California, and dream of getting to fish in Alaska one day. I have watched the Yurok tribe here fight for the rights of the river and conserve fish runs for future generations and I hope the pristine areas in Alaska are able to stay that way.

The Roadless Rule has been instrumental in conserving the Tongass National Forest and in supporting its 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. 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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