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U.S. Forest Service Alaska Roadless Rule Committee:

I have personally fished for steelhead and coastal cutthroat trout in the Tongass and have seen the impacts of past logging and road construction. Please support the Roadless Rule so this important ecosystem can continue to recover.

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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