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U.S. Forest Service Alaska Roadless Rule Committee:

I have lived on several of the islands that make up the Tongass forest for over 40 years. this eco-system does not need to open up any more areas for logging. The forest service and the American public have lost money on every timber sale ever made here. I enjoy seeing the wildlife and harvesting much of my diet from my backyard. There are already options for access to important minerals and power infrastructure projects. No new roads for logging should be considered. Please do not change the Roadless Rule.

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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