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U.S. Forest Service Alaska Roadless Rule Committee:

Dear Madam/Sir: As nature and outdoors lover, and a fisherman myself, I support Alaska's fish and wildlife and oppose gutting the Roadless Rule in Alaska. Thank you for your consideration. Sincerely, Dr. Torsten Pieper

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,

**Torsten Piper**