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U.S. Forest Service Alaska Roadless Rule Committee:

Hello, my name is Joan Harding and I live in Kansas City, Missouri. The Roadless Rule has been through a public comment period back in 2001. Back then, as now, there is overwhelming public support to protect these forests that are National treasures! I want to be able to take that dream trip to Alaska on a salmon fishing trip. I want to be able see the wildlife that depends on this environment.

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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