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Comments: Please terminate plans to clearcut old growth in the Tongass National Forest.

America's largest rainforest is important habitat for salmon, bears and wolves. Clearcutting the Tongass and wiping out enormous carbon stores is like cutting off part of the planet's oxygen supply, worsening the climate crisis.

Additionally, the Tongass is a vital ecosystem necessary to the traditional life-ways of local Indigenous communities. Destroying critical old growth in the Tongass not only devastates wildlife habitat and harms the climate but disregards the sovereignty of Indigenous peoples.

I urge you to abandon these unsound plans.