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Comments: Dear Forest Service,

While I am a designer/builder who was apprenticed in Japan and designs and builds Japanese houses ( the real thing), and while I have all kinds of use for high grade Western Red Cedar and Alaska Yellow cedar, I am unalterably opposed to opening these wilderness areas in the Tongas to logging. I am a timber framer, and have been the chairman of the Forest Resource Committee of the Timber Framers Guild of North America who have historically taken a stand in opposition to clear cut logging as a general forestry practice. It's also interesting that Brackett Road between Ketchikan and White Horse pass was built by my great grandfather and grand uncles during the gold rush there. Global warming gets worse and worse here in California as we watch Bolsinaro in Brazil burn the rain forests. The Tongass is also the lungs of the planet and if logged it should be done very carefully, one tree at a time, but even that's not a good idea. Please reconsider logging wilderness areas in the Tongas.

Sincerely,

Leonard C. Brackett