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Comments: Please.... PLEASE save the Tongass Forest in all its natural and wild completeness. This place should be protected as a national treasure and never exploited for timber profit. It is an absolute CRIME to cut down the old growth or virgin forests and trees that have been there for hundreds of years. You are doing this at the peril of our survival as a planet. According to experts the cutting of this critically important forest would be like putting millions more cars on the road with all that means in terms of greenhouse house gas emission damage. This stunningly beautiful wild and natural place is SACRED GROUND for indigenous peoples who depend on it for their livelihoods and spiritual sustenance. Your greed has no business here.. Once these old growth trees are gone there is no bringing them back. They are gone forever. Please... If there is any shred of decency in your conscience, let it guide you to release your hold on this GEM of wild nature.