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Comments: As someone who is deeply invested in the health of the Lynn canal, I would urge you to re-think the proposed expansion of the tailings pond at Kensington mine. How can you be sure that even just in my lifetime this dam will not fail and impact the spawning locations of our herring and eulachon?
I hope to continue to eat crab and halibut and salmon from Sullivan Island for the rest of my life, and it is sad that one decision has the potential to jeopardize my future and the future of the biodiversity of Lynn Canal. I urge the Forest Service to have Coeur switch to the dry stack method for the long term health of everything and everyone who depend on the Lynn Canal.
The idea that a dam will hold in perpetuity in SEAK is flawed and short sighted. We have seen in Haines and Juneau this winter that landslides and flooding, and more water/less snow, are going to be a part of our future. And we are all aware that earthquakes happen Here. it is a when, not an if, that the dam will fail. I hope that Coeur and The Forest service are prepared for this inevitability for the health of Lynn canal, and those of us who live here.