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AK,

I am assisting with the WO Webmaster inbox and we got these comments sent to us, see below.

Thank you and Happy New Year!

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From: SM.FS.webmaster@usda.gov <SM.FS.webmaster@usda.gov>

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Message

Dear President Trump & the U.S. Forest Service, We are from Clonlara School in Ann Arbor, Michigan. We are writing because you took away the Tongass National Forest protection and we believe that it should be protected. There are lots of animals that we love in the Tongass Forest, and it is really beautiful, so we have to protect it.

The Tongass National Forest is not just beautiful, it also helps our earth.

The Tongass National Forest is responsible for 8% of the oxygen that we breath, so if we cut down the trees, we will not be able to breath as well.

Another reason we should protect the Tongass is because without it a lot of salmon will die, and if the salmon die not only will it hurt the environment, but it will also take away a lot of jobs in Juneau. One in ten people who live in Southeast Alaska work in the fishing industry, so if we lose the fish, we will also lose those jobs.

Lastly, there are a lot of people that live near the Tongass National Forest.

If you allow roads to be built there it will become loud and less beautiful.

This noise, and other types of, pollution will hurt the plants, animals, and people that call this area home.

Not only are there many scientific and logistical reasons for us to support the Roadless rule in the Tongass National Forest, but we also have a lot of personal reasons we support it too. We fear that it would hurt people's feelings if their favorite animal was in there and went extinct because the forest wasn't protected.

Here are a few more reasons from the students why we think that it is so important to protect this habitat!

Eli - I want to breath! Also, if a lot of animals go extinct then we do not have as many animals in the world and life will be plain and boring.

Peter - All my favorite birds are there!

Carmen - I do not want any animals to go extinct!

Vivienne - I love animals and I do not want them to go extinct!

Cyril - rainforests are endangered, so we need to protect them!

We would like for you to reenact the Roadless Rule for the Tongass National Forest and to protect this forest for everyone.

Sincerely,

The Older Youngers Class