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Comments: An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) should be prepared and not the currently proposed Environmental Assessment (EA).
A young growth sale that results in round log export is not in line with goals from the Southeast Alaska Sustainability Strategy (SASS) and isn't in the best interests of Southeast Alaska communities.
Current plans look short on wildlife and restoration priorities in a large project area.

The Forest Service is proposing to log and treat more than 25,000 acres of young-growth timber near Thorne Bay and we are justifiably concerned. The Thorne Bay Basin Integrated Resource Management Project was initially scoped in 2022, but due to an intense response, the Forest Service re-scoped it recently, and I am taking this opportunity to comment.