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Comments: It is imperative to preserve what little old growth we have left, especially in Alaska. The forestry side of the forest service has been attempting to skirt the multiple use standard and make everything about timber. We need to change this paradigm and reinforce the scientific and preservation side of forest management over the short sided management trend that we have been doing. There is exponentially more sustained economic value in old growth that is left alive and standing when compared to the extremely tiny burst of economic drive that comes from cutting old growth down. I support an amendment that helps Americans realize the infinitely higher value of living, untouched old growth forests than the value of high quality timber. We are going to permanently destroy ecosystems that have innumerable benefits just to build temporary things... it doesn't make sense. I support an amendment that bans any old growth cutting from this point forward, period.