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Comments: Thank you for the opportunity to comment. As a former resident of Southeast Alaska and someone who continues to enjoy hunting, fishing and exploring the forests of the Tongass, I am in favor of policies that provide for a healthy forest, strong communities, sustainable economies, and subsistence hunting and fishing.

It is vital to include the following in any changes to the Forest Plan:

- *Strong protections for old-growth forests that sustain wildlife and local economies

- *Strong protections for existing roadless areas

- *Support for Indigenous-led stewardship and traditional harvest practices

- *Healthy watersheds, essential for salmon and the people who rely on them

- *A future where we can continue to hunt, fish, and explore the Tongass

- * A true accounting of any taxpayer costs associated with any logging or road building