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Comments: I am writing to you today regarding a the Tongass Draft Assessment findings

Dear Tongass Plan Revision,

To whom it may concern at the Tongass National Forest:

I realized that in my earlier three submissions, I failed to mention what some rightly consider a scandal relating to the Tongass National Forest -- and I am not referring to repeated attempts to remove I believe it was/is 9.3 million acres of inventoried roadless areas.

The scandal which sets a horrible precedent and violates common sense and the Clean Water Act is that not only was the Kensington Mine allowed to dump their toxic tailings directly into Lower Slate Lake, but that horrible move was compounded by expanding that mine and some judicial yahoo ruled that they can move forward with such stupidity and dump more recent tailings in Upper Slate Lake as well.

Is the Draft Assessment playing "pretend" here, or will there be various analyses in the final forest plan revision about the impacts of such a policy, and as to who were the architects and ringleaders of this disgraceful policy? Has the Tongass NF done an inventory as to how many other lakes or bodies of water within the 16.7 million-acre Tongass NF do land managers consider ideal to receive toxic mining tailings directly into the bodies of water? Were the Slate Lakes particularly ugly or lacking of habitat value, or were they chosen as a toxic dumpsite because they happened to be in the vicinity of the Kensington Mine?

That's it for now. Thanks for your consideration, and please address the situation regarding Lower and Upper Slate Lakes in the revised forest plan and whether any other bodies of water could meet a similar fate as the SLATE LAKES..

Sincerely yours,

Bruce Campbell

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Mr. BRUCE CAMPBELL