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Comments: I AM OPPOSED TO LOGGING OLD GROWTH IN THIS TONGASS PROJECT. I BELIEVE THIS FOREST IS ESSENTIAL TO PRESERVE NATIVE REGIONAL WILDLIFE AS WELL FOR AS CARBON STORAGE. I LIVE IN MAINE WHICH HAS PLENTY OF TREES BUT VERY LITTLE OLD GROWTH LEFT. THERE IS PLENTY SECOND GROWTH TIMBER HERE AND IN THE REST OF THE COUNTRY THAT COULD BE LOGGED INSTEAD. I AM NOT OPPOSED TO LOGGING, AND IT APPEARS THERE MAY NOT BE ANY LOCAL BUYERS FOR THE OLD GROWTH CUT, BUT RATHER THE LOGS WILL BE EXPORTED OVERSEAS. THIS ONLY MAKES A FEW PEOPLE RICH AND DOES LITTLE TO HELP THE LOCAL ECONOMY. CUT AND SEND SECOND GROWTH LOGS OVERSEAS INSTEAD.

I AM 74 YEARS OLD AND HOPE TO VISIT THE TONGASS SOON TO SEE ITS FAMED OLD GROWTH FORESTS, BEFORE THEY AND I ARE GONE.

THANK YOU, CHARLEY BAER