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Comments: I am writing in support of a Tongass Forest Plan that prioritizes conservation, healthy fisheries, and sustainable recreation. I have visited the Tongass forest 4 times with the Boat Company. I marveled at the old growth forest & all the life that it support. If you open it up to the short term gain of logging the place & life it supports will be gone forever. Do not mess with this natural jewel!

The Tongass National Forest is one of the last remaining temperate rainforests in the world and supports salmon, wildlife, and communities across Southeast Alaska.

I encourage the Forest Service to:

1. Protect remaining old-growth forest ecosystems
2. Maintain strong protections for watersheds and salmon habitat
3. Support wildlife habitat and biodiversity
4. Prioritize recreation and tourism over industrial-scale logging

The Tongass is an irreplaceable landscape, and its long-term health should guide future management decisions.