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Comments: Dear Review Team and Administrators:

Salmon are the greatest resource in the Tongass National Forest. Their benefits must not be limited in any way. We must do all we can to augment propagation and health of all Tongass salmon, their habitat and and quality. Large timber harvesting and mining projects do the opposite in that they harm salmon streams and contribute to causes of climatic heating.

The Forest Service did not complete clean-up from the last round of large industrial timber harvest practices nor require adequate restoration from timber harvest operators.

Road maintenance on the Tongass lacks adequacy and purpose to protect habitat for all species of animal and fish. Culvert maintenance does not occur to protect salmon movement and propagation.

The plan documents emphasizes timber harvesting over all other uses and values in the Tongass.

The rushed plan timeline threatens all other uses and important worthy and cherished treasures, especially every creature on the Tongass, including humans. Please provide more time for plan development, as done in the past. These plans cover a long period of time, let's get it right.

The terms "low commercial" and "high commercial" seem to imply that commercial activities solely comprise the purpose of the Tongass Forest. It is home to people and has been for centuries. What about the plan addressing non-commercial activities valued by residents and visitors?

Previous management plan revisions relied on full analyses of each watershed in the Tongass forest. Eliminating these analytical data collection and reporting ignores basic forest information needed for any plan, particularly considering the long term alterations that occurred under previous Forest Service modifications, changing conditions that existed before large scale industrial activities.

All streams, tributaries and headwaters must have buffers to protect from increases in water temperature as much as possible considering what is happening in the Arctic and Subarctic.

Finally, for now, I urge the Forest Service to consider all comments, including those that appear duplicate or from form documents. Each person submitting comments needs to rightfully have their comment heard and counted, no matter how much it compares with other submitted comments.

Thank you,

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