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Comments: Dear U.S. Forest Service Team,

I am reaching out with an urgent plea concerning the proposed logging operations on Prince of Wales Island within the Tongass National Forest, Alaska.

The Alexander Archipelago wolf, a rare and vital species, relies on the old-growth forests of this region for survival, and these forests are irreplaceable sanctuaries for countless other species. The interconnectedness of this ecosystem is delicate, and once altered, the repercussions are felt for generations.

With 97% of the local wolf population having been decimated in past hunting seasons and over 290,000 acres already logged, further destruction of 1,655 acres of critical habitat could be catastrophic.

These ancient forests, some over a millennium old, offer essential habitats and ecological stability. The loss of such an ecosystem at a time of global biodiversity and climate crises is unthinkable.

I urge you to prioritize the preservation and restoration of this natural treasure, ensuring that future generations can witness a thriving Tongass National Forest.

Thank you for considering the profound impact of your decisions on our planet's future.

Best regards, Monika