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Comments: Dear Members of the Forest Service,

I am reaching out with a profound sense of urgency regarding the potential impact of the proposed logging activities on Prince of Wales Island, within the precious Tongass National Forest.

The Alexander Archipelago wolf, a species that holds a unique place in North America's biodiversity, depends entirely on the preservation of these ancient habitats. The survival of these wolves is intricately linked with the vitality of the old-growth forests, which are essential not only for their denning and shelter but for the broader ecological balance.

It's critical to recognize that the wolves are still on a fragile path to recovery from a devastating period that saw a drastic decrease in their population. Coupled with the logging of significant portions of the forest, their habitat is under severe threat. The current plan to log an additional 1,655 acres within these crucial habitats poses a risk we cannot afford to take.

These forests, some of which have stood for over a millennium, are irreplaceable. Their removal would not only disrupt the delicate ecological web but also erase the natural heritage that future generations have a right to experience and cherish.

Given the global challenges of biodiversity loss and climate change, our responsibilities extend beyond immediate interests. We must act decisively to prioritize the protection of these invaluable ecosystems before it's too late.

I implore you to halt the authorization for further logging on Prince of Wales Island and to focus on safeguarding this extraordinary environment.

Thank you for considering this urgent appeal. I remain hopeful that with decisive action, we can ensure the Tongass remains a sanctuary for its diverse wildlife and a testament to natural resilience.

With respect,