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Comments:

I have lived in Alaska since 1975. I have utilized many resources in Prince William Sound and the Chugach National Forest throughout the year every year, including sailing, kayaking, forest service cabins, boating, camping, commercial boat trips to virtually all of the glaciers in the Sound numerous times with friends and family, fishing, hiking and photography. A primary beauty and uniqueness of the Sound is its pristine wilderness characteristics. Unlike most areas in the Lower 48, PWS and the CNF's reasonable restrictions on use and development have been its greatest appeal for residents and tourists alike. I am shocked that there would be consideration of for example expanding mining, logging, hatchery development. Rather, the goal for the Sound, as a prized jewel in the US, should be to continue to preserve the area's wilderness character, leaving it undeveloped and non motorized (except for existing defined "traditional activities"); continue to restore the Sound's wilderness and conservation values; permanently protect Knight Island; purchase the subsurface estate on all Exxon Valdez oil spill acquired lands and manage them for conservation and wilderness purposes.