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Comments:

We have, as a people, paved, mined, timbered, plowed and polluted our way across most of the planet. Few real wild places survive. Dividing up wild places into smaller areas of protection opens up all the margins which alters alot more space when the development comes...which with today's political pressure seems to trump everything else. Money Money Money. We need to preserve some wild so that we have the reserved land, plants and animals to 're-charge' developed areas as they are, at some point down the road, allowed to return more towards how it was prior to being used for hunting, lumber, fishing etc.

These lands belong to us ALL and no area that happens to just be geographically close by, deserves to have any extra influence to demand that the people there be able to use, abuse or waste the riches and wild resources that are OWNED by all Americans.

Leaving more 'wild' alone than may have been thought would be 'necessary' allows other areas where we attempt to keep the wilderness from being affected by modern life to suffer a bit more change than anticipated and recover since we have a more vast area to pull from to repopulate, pollinate, etc.

Please keep all American's views in mind - not just those in Alaska that want to take yet one more area that is not owned by them.