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Comments:

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I am against changing the boundaries the wilderness study area which under current proposals would drop protection from a huge area. This would open a large area to commercial development including mining and logging, which I am adamantly opposed to. The wilderness study area needs to be enlarged if anything and Montague Island needs to be included which is one of the remotest areas in North America. Salmon runs and Alaska Brown Bear habitat need to be protected along with a host of wilderness values. Shrinking the wilderness study area is a very bad idea. I have spent considerable time in Prince William Sound and it is a very special place and needs to be protected, not exploited.

Regards

Richard McCrea