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Comments:

I do not support the changes proposed under the Alaska Roadless Rule. As a former resident of Juneau and current resident of Anchorage, I believe that the economy of southeast Alaska is best supported by continued investment in tourism, recreation, and fishing industries. I would like our leaders to focus on investing in these sustainable and unique industries instead of resurrecting logging.

The Tongass is home to nearly one-third of all old-growth temperate rainforest remaining in the entire world. It captures carbon year round mitigating the devastating effects of global warming - which we in Alaska already experience. Preservation of the Tongass and current Roadless Rule, is vital not only to the environment, but also for supporting our thriving recreation and tourism industries, which are inherently sustainable and offer more jobs locally than logging operations. The Tongass is a world treasure and should be treated as such.