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Comments:

Please keep the 2001 Roadless Rule restrictions in place in Alaska. I live in Sitka in the winter and in Pt. Protection in the summer. The roadless areas around both locations are very important to me for fishing, hunting, boating and exploring. Any new Alaska Roadless Rule should protect all inventoried roadless areas on Baranof Island and Chichagof Islands currently protected under the 2001 Roadless Rule. Furthermore, it is especially important to protect roadless areas on Prince of Wales Island as there are so few remaining. These areas are essential for the fishing and tourism economies in Southeast Alaska, as well as for the enjoyment of residents like myself. I'm concerned about our growing state and national deficit and I don't think building roads in these areas to subsidize the timber industry is a fiscally responsible use of taxpayer dollars -- particularly since the lands are far more valuable as an ecological and cultural treasure for all Americans.