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Comments:

Thank you for your efforts to move Alaska in the right direction and for the voice to speak to what that might look like.

It is vital to keep the current management in place for our temperate rainforest and select no action. This is one of the states biggest carbon sinks as well as one of the countries biggest carbon sinks. In this period of human driven climate change the reduction of that tool is unthinkable. The old growth that sustains this forest and makes it such a carbon sink is what is truly being targeted with this proposed change to the Roadless Act. The lesser of two evils is losing jobs from an outdated model of resource extraction not furthering the damage to our nation and our planet as a whole via exacerbating global warming. This is the right decision for current and future Alaskans and citizens of our country, please weigh carefully the magnitude of your decision. To cause a slight and temporary economic boom that would sacrifice even some of our ability to mitigate warming temperatures that directly affect Alaskans is a nonstarter.