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Comments:

As conservationists and recreationists who value our magnificent public lands and ecosystems, we offer comment on the Chugach N.F. plan and EIS. We have just visited the Chugach this past summer and found it truly magical and inspiring with ample opportunities for solitude.

The Nellie Juan-College Fiord WSA deserves protection of its wilderness character and you should classify these lands as "primitive". Its ancient rainforests, glaciers, mountains and wild salmon are all part of our natural heritage.

Lands that were purchased by the federal government after the Exxon Valdez catastrophe that are in the WSA should be "managed in perpetuity for conservation and wilderness purposes" as promised upon purchase.

The Forest Service should crack down on illegal chainsaw use along wilderness beaches.

We believe that Alt. D is best for the land and waters, with the addition of Lake Nellie Juan and the lands of the WSA purchased for restoration of wilderness resources after the oil spill. I have no doubt we will return to this outstanding region in the future. Thank you for caring for our national treasures.