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Comments:

Dear Forest Service,

As a resident of Southeast Alaska who works very closely with communities on Prince of Wales, I object to the implementation of the POW LLA including the following reasons:

1) The POW LLA analysis fails to comply with NEPA because the Forest Service has not disclosed the essential site-specific details about where trees will be cut and roads built.

2) Wherever old-growth timber sales occur, it will harm local subsistence hunting, fishing, recreation, and tourism. Without the essential information of where logging will occur, the public cannot fully understand the impact of this sale.

3) Prince of Wales Island has lost too much old-growth habitat already. The Forest Service should drop the old-growth timber sales and focus entirely on restoration, stewardship, and recreation projects.

In short, please reconsider moving halting POW LLA completely. You have already publicly acknowledged the Forest Services' transition to second growth, please stick to your word and completely ween off of old-growth logging.