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Comments:

I am a retired fishery biologist and worked on coho salmon research in Southeast Alaska for nearly 20 years. I have worked extensively on Prince of Wales Island. I am very strongly opposed to large-scale logging on Prince of Wales Island because of certain damage to coho salmon spawning and rearing habitat and loss of Sitka blacktail deer habitat.

I do not believe any more old-growth timber should be logged on POW. The old-growth timber is much more valuable for coho salmon production, subsistence hunting, commercial fish production, recreation and tourism.

The POWLLA analysis fails to comply with NEPA because the Forest Service has not disclosed where logging will occur and where roads will be built. I asked these questions and the Forest Service could not answer them. Also, less than two-weeks notice was given to the public to comment on this massive, destructive logging sale.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.