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Comments:

I have read about the revision to the Alaska Roadless Rules in the news media but I have not read the actual documents yet. I would just like to add my thoughts.

I fought for the original Roadless Rule when Bill Clinton was president. I have visited Alaska many times and I know many people who live near the affected areas.

I would not like to change the original rules as set forth by the Clinton Administration. Previous logging in these areas has done permanent damage to salmon runs. The timber obtained from logging is of very poor quality and actually costs more to cut than what it sells for. The road proposed across the wilderness area is of little value to true Alaskans. They are accustomed to travel by ferry and float plane to these areas.

In summary I am asking for no changes to the Alaska Roadless Rules other to enforce what we already have. In the words of Joni Mitchell "You don't know what you got till it is gone."

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