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Comments to oppose modification to the Roadless Rule

Dear U.S. Forest Service,

I urge you to support the NO ACTION alternative for the Tongass National Forest. It is long past time to bring the clear cutting of our old growth forests to an end. What is left of our old growth in Southeast Alaska provides vital fish and wildlife habitat. In addition, the Tongass serves as a significant "carbon sink" and helps in moderating our ever growing global warming, something we in Alaska are keenly aware of as we are seeing its impacts on a regular basis now. Not only that, I keep hearing about how taxpayers are subsidizing Alaska's timber industry. That makes no sense to me. We should not be losing money while cutting down this valuable resource. I urge you strongly oppose the proposal to exempt the Tongass National Forest from the Roadless Rule.

Sincerely,

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