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U.S. Forest Service Alaska Roadless Rule Committee:

The Roadless Rule has been instrumental in conserving the Tongass National Forest and in supporting its fish and wildlife-based industries for almost 20 years. Please uphold the Rule's protections for important fish and wildlife areas, including the Tongass 77. Roadless areas are an important source of food, jobs, and income through commercial, subsistence, and recreational fishing. Salmon are part of Alaska's culture and we must protect them and their spawning streams.

This is a VERY delicate and complex ecosystem. Any changes can upset its balance. At this dangerous time, let's not take a chance with that which may not be recoverable.

Also people depend on the fruits of the earth here. If the bounty of the earth here disappears, who will feel the people here.

Please do not roll back roadless area protections for habitat that our irreplaceable fish and wildlife populations need to survive.

Sincerely,

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