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U.S. Forest Service Alaska Roadless Rule Committee:

I am writing in support of the 'no action' alternative to leave the Roadless Rule unchanged in Alaska. I can hardly believe I have to write you again on this issue.. I am a taxpayer and the economics of continued road building and logging in the Tongass makes no sense. According to the U.S. Government Accountability Office, the newest data analyzed indicates that the USFS lost \$17.7 million on timber sales in the Tongass in 2018. This huge loss for 300 jobs is not how I want my tax money spent. I am also an Alaskan, and I believe the value of old growth is in tourism and intact habitat. I have been to the Tongass numerous times as a tourist and for flyfishing for salmon and steelhead. There are few places like it. Stanly Creek on Prince of Wales, the Situk bears on Admiralty Is. Our fisheries and wild forests are critical to the economy Alaska. To grow these sectors of our economy, we need intact habitat. Please leave the Alaska Roadless Rule in place.. Sincerely,

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