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Testimony against cutting down the tongass

Hi my name is Alley Slater. I am 13 years old and I live in Pelican Alaska, well 4 miles away from Pelican near Phonograph Creek. The Tongass is important to me because my family hunts and fish for a living and if the tongass gets taken then getting food and resources would get harder because the ferry systems have been closed and flying planes over here is more expensive. If the salmon streams get blocked because of the trees all over and the equipment crossing and contaminating the water with the oil from the equipment, then the salmon population in Pelican would decrease. Deer hunting would get harder because of their habitat loss and it just makes it harder to live out here in Pelican because there's no salmon to fish and there's no deer to hunt. I grew up playing in the woods making forts and exploring all arounds the woods. The alternative I would choose is Alternative 1 because I want to keep the trees around Pelican. It is really unfair to the animals and the citizens of Pelican because one, were all spending more money on flying planes over with food and two, cutting down the tongass will kill animal habitats and makes living out in Pelican a lot harder because we cant have salmon to fish and deer to hunt. Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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