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00:02:36.260 --> 00:02:40.939  
Mark Sogge: Just a sound check, can you guys hear me? Craig, are you back in Haines?

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00:02:45.470 --> 00:02:46.570  
Ryan Cook: I hear you, Mark.

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00:02:47.110 --> 00:02:48.269  
Mark Sogge: Okay, thanks, Ryan.

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00:02:48.270 --> 00:02:48.810  
Ryan Cook: Yep.

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00:02:50.930 --> 00:02:53.160  
Mark Sogge: We're gonna be missing a few people today.

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00:02:53.630 --> 00:02:54.750  
Mark Sogge: Unfortunately.

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00:02:55.450 --> 00:02:59.259  
Ryan Cook: I was wondering, the basketball game's starting in a half hour.

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00:02:59.570 --> 00:03:02.490  
Mark Sogge: We better talk quickly, huh?

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00:03:02.490 --> 00:03:03.160  
Ryan Cook: Yeah.

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00:03:03.560 --> 00:03:07.590  
Mark Sogge: I think that's a I think that's where Adam is officiating or something.

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00:03:12.850 --> 00:03:15.950  
Ryan Cook: Are there middle school games, too, somewhere?

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00:03:16.360 --> 00:03:17.850  
Mark Sogge: Oh, he's up in Anchorage.

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00:03:17.850 --> 00:03:19.340  
Ryan Cook: Oh, is he in Anchorage?

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00:03:19.340 --> 00:03:23.899  
Mark Sogge: Yeah, I'm not sure what he's actually doing. I didn't get a clear understanding of it.

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00:03:29.780 --> 00:03:31.250  
Ryan Cook: Might be a short meeting.

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00:03:31.910 --> 00:03:37.349  
Mark Sogge: Yeah, right, if we don't have a quorum. What do we need? 8, I think, right? I think it's 8.

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00:03:42.290 --> 00:03:45.430  
Mark Sogge: I know Derek can't make it either. He just

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00:03:45.710 --> 00:03:52.069  
Mark Sogge: Texted me that he's been up for 20 hours, or 25 hours, or something, and isn't gonna make it.

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00:04:09.620 --> 00:04:10.840  
Mark Sogge: Hey, Tim.

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00:04:28.690 --> 00:04:31.799  
Mark Sogge: Kim, we need 8 members for a quorum, is that right, or

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00:04:32.160 --> 00:04:36.319  
timmcdonough: That's the way I got it, it's, like, 15 people, so that's one more than half.

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00:04:36.320 --> 00:04:37.470  
Mark Sogge: Yeah, okay.

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00:04:40.510 --> 00:04:42.290  
timmcdonough: Sound up here

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00:04:46.740 --> 00:04:47.610  
timmcdonough: Phew.

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00:04:52.830 --> 00:04:55.739  
timmcdonough: Shit, I think what's gonna happen.

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00:05:10.340 --> 00:05:13.590  
timmcdonough: What have I done? I've lost contact.

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00:05:14.300 --> 00:05:15.450  
Mark Sogge: We still hear ya.

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00:05:15.930 --> 00:05:17.420  
timmcdonough: Okay.

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00:05:20.560 --> 00:05:21.770  
timmcdonough: Cash.

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00:05:24.310 --> 00:05:25.840  
timmcdonough: That's weird.

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00:05:27.230 --> 00:05:28.000  
timmcdonough: Hmm, I had reached.

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00:05:28.000 --> 00:05:31.249  
Mark Sogge: my whole computer wouldn't even connect with Zoom at all.

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00:05:36.200 --> 00:05:39.470  
timmcdonough: Okay, I'm gonna quit and go do it again.

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00:05:40.130 --> 00:05:40.780  
Mark Sogge: Okay.

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00:05:50.300 --> 00:05:52.399  
timmcdonough: There we go, okay.

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00:05:52.840 --> 00:05:57.209  
timmcdonough: I'm always pushing the wrong buttons on this thing and going, whoa, what have I done?

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00:06:12.790 --> 00:06:14.469  
timmcdonough: What is that doing on her?

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00:06:16.530 --> 00:06:18.020  
timmcdonough: Ay, yay, yay.

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00:06:28.380 --> 00:06:29.650  
timmcdonough: There we go.

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00:06:30.440 --> 00:06:35.550  
timmcdonough: Okay. Present

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00:06:39.410 --> 00:06:43.770  
timmcdonough: Craig Present.

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00:06:44.420 --> 00:06:46.320  
timmcdonough: Kathleen

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00:06:48.630 --> 00:06:50.469  
Mark Sogge: Thanks for showing up, Rave.

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00:06:51.090 --> 00:06:52.180  
timmcdonough: I'm sorry?

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00:06:52.350 --> 00:06:54.150  
Mark Sogge: I said, thanks for showing up.

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00:06:54.150 --> 00:06:55.699  
timmcdonough: There's your own. Yeah, no problem.

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00:06:55.700 --> 00:06:57.270  
Sally Boisvert: That's gone.

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00:06:58.200 --> 00:06:59.340  
Sally Boisvert: Yeah.

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00:07:03.320 --> 00:07:04.660  
Sally Boisvert: How you guys doing?

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00:07:05.720 --> 00:07:07.160  
timmcdonough: Okay.

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00:07:07.540 --> 00:07:11.559  
Mark Sogge: I don't know about everybody else. I'm doing fine.

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00:07:13.880 --> 00:07:16.120  
timmcdonough: Under roof.

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00:07:16.560 --> 00:07:19.350  
timmcdonough: Nicholas is here

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00:07:22.190 --> 00:07:26.409  
Mark Sogge: Derek's not gonna make it today, Tim, just so you know.

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00:07:26.410 --> 00:07:28.110  
timmcdonough: Okay, thank you.

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00:07:28.110 --> 00:07:31.740  
Mark Sogge: I tried to talk him into it, but he was, like, exhausted on his feet.

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00:07:31.740 --> 00:07:32.660  
timmcdonough: Oh, yeah.

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00:07:32.790 --> 00:07:34.899  
Mark Sogge: Been traveling for 20-some hours.

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00:07:39.570 --> 00:07:44.120  
timmcdonough: So Jeremy.

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00:07:58.740 --> 00:08:01.419  
timmcdonough: P. Marvin's here.

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00:08:08.380 --> 00:08:09.130  
timmcdonough: Really?

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00:08:11.520 --> 00:08:14.659  
timmcdonough: Ryan, is, Teresa there with you?

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00:08:15.750 --> 00:08:16.860  
Ryan Cook: Yeah, she's here.

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00:08:17.110 --> 00:08:19.060  
timmcdonough: Okay.

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00:08:25.160 --> 00:08:27.980

timmcDonough: Elena and Adam. Adam's absent.

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00:08:37.190 --> 00:08:39.450

timmcDonough: Geneva's here

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Mark Sogge: Tim has agreed to be our secretary.

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00:08:59.530 --> 00:09:00.609

Mark Sogge: Do they

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Marvin Willard Jr: Who misses it anyway?

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00:09:09.440 --> 00:09:12.040

timmcDonough: I don't think so.

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00:09:16.450 --> 00:09:19.729

Mark Sogge: We'll wait a little while to see if other members show up.

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00:09:20.090 --> 00:09:21.880

timmcDonough: Looks like with Alaina?

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00:09:22.430 --> 00:09:26.720

timmcDonough: And, lee and Darren.

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00:09:26.920 --> 00:09:29.030

timmcDonough: Lee's is Hannah, okay, Lee's there.

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Mark Sogge: Darren's not gonna make it, he texted me, or emailed me, and said he couldn't make it.

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00:09:35.410 --> 00:09:36.330

timmcDonough: Okay.

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00:09:36.710 --> 00:09:39.300

Mark Sogge: And of course, Adam is not gonna make it, he's

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00:09:39.800 --> 00:09:40.640

timmcDonough: Right.

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00:09:41.070 --> 00:09:44.780

Mark Sogge: have the bandwidth, as he said. He's out of town, too.  
Excused.

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00:09:45.370 --> 00:09:46.190

timmcDonough: Okay?

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00:09:46.660 --> 00:09:48.959

timmcDonough: So that just leaves us with Alaina.

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00:09:51.140 --> 00:09:54.690

timmcDonough: That isn't accounted for, so we'll wait a minute for  
her, huh?

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00:09:55.190 --> 00:09:59.790

Mark Sogge: Yeah, I think she's traveling. She said she was gonna  
make it, though, right?

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Mark Sogge: Pretty sure.

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timmcDonough: Yeah, I think that when she chose this day, I thought  
maybe that was working for her.

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00:10:06.120 --> 00:10:09.319

Mark Sogge: Yeah, that's right, she did she did help us choose this  
day.

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00:10:10.270 --> 00:10:11.660

timmcDonough: Let's see here

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Ryan Cook: Nicole from Fish and Game just texted me, she said  
she'll be in, but she's just gonna be a few minutes late.

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Mark Sogge: Okay.

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00:10:30.440 --> 00:10:32.050

timmcDonough: Gee

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00:10:37.460 --> 00:10:41.930

timmcDonough: Let's see, I was gonna record this utilities memo.

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timmcDonough: Alright, good.

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Mark Sogge: But do you mind if we wait till, like, 5 after or something before we get going? Any objections to that?

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timmcDonough: Not for me.

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00:11:12.070 --> 00:11:16.610

timmcDonough: What do you got in your background there, Mark? Is that inside your little house?

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00:11:16.830 --> 00:11:21.229

Mark Sogge: Yeah, I'm inside. It's it's raining outside, or it has been.

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00:11:21.380 --> 00:11:22.050

timmcDonough: Yeah.

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00:11:22.490 --> 00:11:23.470

Mark Sogge: There's Alaina.

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00:11:23.850 --> 00:11:26.120

timmcDonough: Okay. Great.

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00:11:26.590 --> 00:11:28.729

timmcDonough: That's everybody accounted for.

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00:11:28.730 --> 00:11:29.550

Mark Sogge: Okay.

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Mark Sogge: Alright, I guess we'll bring this meeting to order.

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Mark Sogge: what is the date today? The 12th of March. Adam is out, so I'm going to take over as as Vice Chair, I'll take over as the Chairman's position and do the best I can to run this. Tim, you correct me if I make some mistake or something, since you're the former chair, but

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00:11:56.770 --> 00:11:58.780

timmcDonough: There's other people that can do it, too.

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00:11:58.780 --> 00:12:11.320

Mark Sogge: Yeah, I'd first like to welcome Geneva. Preston, thank you for coming, and I see Jeremy Dowse is on here, too, from Department of Forestry, so welcome to both of you for being here.

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Mark Sogge: To begin this meeting, you know, we,

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Mark Sogge: we are we don't have minutes to go over, that's that's one thing. Nobody we don't have minutes, so we don't have to we don't have to go through that process. But to begin this meeting, I'd like to, give the board a chance to speak, before we,

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Mark Sogge: Do anything else that.

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timmcDonough: And that speaks specifically about the changes to the Haines State Forest, the proposed changes to the Haines State Forest and the plan.

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Mark Sogge: That would give, you know, we've all been engaged in this process for, months, and we would like to and there's a lot to say and to think about it, and we've written several letters, that have been from the entire board. So.

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00:12:54.220 --> 00:12:54.840

timmcDonough: If

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Mark Sogge: I think it's if it's okay with the forestry, if they wouldn't mind if we if any of the members ask them specific questions, or or

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Mark Sogge: or not, at this time, rather than getting engaged in a questioning things at a later date. Is that okay with you guys, if

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: specific questions.

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Geneva Preston - DFFP: That works for me.

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00:13:17.720 --> 00:13:20.489

Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Yeah, hey, can you hear us okay?

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00:13:20.720 --> 00:13:22.429

Mark Sogge: Yeah, I can hear you. Can you hear me?

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00:13:22.890 --> 00:13:32.760

Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Yep, we gotcha. I just wanted to make sure we're I've got Ashley List and Greg Palmeri in the room with me, and, just so you're aware, and just want to make sure that the audio is working.

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00:13:33.280 --> 00:13:36.559

Mark Sogge: Okay. Yeah, we can, we can hear you clearly.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Yeah, and that, and that, and that, plan works for us.

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00:13:40.890 --> 00:13:41.600

Mark Sogge: Okay.

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00:13:41.880 --> 00:13:45.079

timmcdonough: And Jeremy, you said you had Ashley, what was her last name?

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00:13:45.680 --> 00:13:46.880

Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Ashley List.

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00:13:47.200 --> 00:13:49.540

timmcdonough: List, okay, thank you.

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Mark Sogge: Hi, we're down in Ashley Reed, that's a different Ashley?

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Same, Ashley.

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00:13:55.100 --> 00:13:57.920

Mark Sogge: Oh, okay.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Ashley Reed List is my entire name.

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Mark Sogge: Oh, okay, okay, yeah, I was looking up and trying to understand what people's, positions were. You're Deputy Director of Forestry, I think.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Correct.

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00:14:12.770 --> 00:14:13.580

Mark Sogge: Yeah.

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00:14:14.050 --> 00:14:15.629

Mark Sogge: Okay, well,

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00:14:15.860 --> 00:14:21.920

Mark Sogge: Well, let's just get right in it. Are there any members that would like to, start off, speaking in?

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Mark Sogge: We'll let I'll let Tim go.

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timmcDonough: This is a question addressed to the DFFP people.

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timmcDonough: I'd like to start with a simple yes or no question concerning the part of the revised management plan that puts the entire forest into allowable cut classification.

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timmcdonough: Will that revision ever be removed from this amended plan due to input from the public and discussions with other mandated state and local entities?

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00:14:54.380 --> 00:14:56.239

timmcdonough: That's my question. Yes or no?

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Your question is, will it can you repeat the question?

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timmcdonough: Sure.

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timmcdonough: Will the revision that I mentioned above about allowable cut classification on the whole forest, will that revision ever be removed from this amendment plan

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timmcdonough: Due to input from the public and discussions with other mandated local entities.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Well, we're in this We're taking input from the public on the on the concept.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: So I don't underst- I guess I don't understand the question, maybe.

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timmcdonough: I guess I'm trying to look for a yes or no answer. Is it mandated that that

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00:15:46.020 --> 00:15:52.169

timmcdonough: line about the entire forest will be included

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timmcDonough: in allowable cut, is that set in stone? Or if a lot of input came in and said, no, no, we don't like that, would it go away? Would it be taken out of this

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00:16:05.320 --> 00:16:07.950

timmcDonough: Planned.

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00:16:08.420 --> 00:16:09.540

timmcDonough: Amendment.

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00:16:11.550 --> 00:16:15.460

Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Oh, that's yeah, okay, I get I understand the question.

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timmcDonough: And again, yes or no is all I need.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Well, it's it's not just a yes or no question, though.

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00:16:24.830 --> 00:16:31.200

Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Tim, it's, in statute, we have a requirement for multiple-use sustained yield management.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: And so Some of these areas don't fully meet that requirement.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Because, they're not timber harvest or timber management is not allowed in them.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: So, the way that you've asked the question about

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00:16:48.520 --> 00:16:51.080

Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Will it be taken out for annual allowable cut?

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00:16:51.630 --> 00:16:56.509

Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Well, that's not really the question. The question is, is it truly multiple-use management?

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timmcDonough: I disagree, and I'll take your answer as, oh, I have hope?

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timmcDonough: That it's possible, designation of wildlife will never be cut, because it won't be

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timmcDonough: It won't be threatened, as it was before this as it is now, before this plan is put into effect.

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00:17:22.460 --> 00:17:23.260

timmcDonough: Yep.

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00:17:23.500 --> 00:17:24.629

Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Well, it may never be good.

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00:17:24.630 --> 00:17:25.430

timmcDonough: Coming from.

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00:17:25.910 --> 00:17:26.560

timmcDonough: And, I mean.

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00:17:26.569 --> 00:17:30.699

Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: I mean, it may it just depends on the stand. It may never be cut.

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00:17:30.700 --> 00:17:38.480

timmcDonough: It may not, but it can be, is what I'm pushing on, okay? So, I'll let that one go. I kind of got the answer.

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timmcDonough: I wanted, but not quite. But I have other things to say. I'm pretty disappointed with that answer, because knowing that a draft exists that puts the entire timber base back into play.

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00:17:50.980 --> 00:17:59.160

timmcDonough: And then asking for concerns from groups and individuals under the guise of consultation is a waste of everyone's time.

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00:17:59.590 --> 00:18:12.630

timmcDonough: Comments requesting some areas be left as no logging zones are doomed to plan revision exclusion. If it is mandated, the entire forest is open to harvest.

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00:18:13.170 --> 00:18:18.779

timmcDonough: And that that obviously, that bothers me. Okay, I'm gonna go on.

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timmcDonough: Wanna ask

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00:18:21.430 --> 00:18:33.260

timmcDonough: Does DFFP have any of our AC's requested information or responses to recommendations made by the AC in previous correspondences?

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Do we have your previous correspondence, previous recommendations? I believe we have all of the correspondence.

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00:18:43.830 --> 00:18:48.440

timmcDonough: Okay, what it Thank you, and what I was looking for

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00:18:48.720 --> 00:19:01.619

timmcDonough: there was requested this AC requested information and made recommendations that we thought we might get rema get responses from you guys. Do you have any of those?

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: To my team here, do you know the

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Is are you referring to the email that you sent on

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00:19:11.520 --> 00:19:16.650

Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: I think Monday afternoon or Tuesday morning with a list of questions.

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00:19:17.920 --> 00:19:22.199  
timmcdonough: I don't remember sending any emails with questions on them.

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00:19:22.200 --> 00:19:24.310  
Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: I'm responded to what it is.

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00:19:27.170 --> 00:19:27.520  
Mark Sogge: I'm a.

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00:19:27.520 --> 00:19:35.590  
timmcdonough: I'm referring to letters that were sent to DFFP.

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00:19:36.050 --> 00:19:38.150  
timmcdonough: by Adam Smith.

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00:19:44.010 --> 00:19:44.590  
Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Oops.

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00:19:44.830 --> 00:19:51.230  
Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: we have Received a letter I I am,

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00:19:51.380 --> 00:19:58.769  
Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Are you so you're asking I guess so you're asking if we've received all the correspondence, but it makes me wonder, with that question.

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00:19:59.650 --> 00:20:06.820  
Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Are you thinking maybe we didn't receive it? Or, like, do you want to describe which dates you're talking about, and then we can confirm that we received every one?

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00:20:07.080 --> 00:20:10.849  
timmcdonough: I could give you, dates of Is that your question?

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00:20:11.080 --> 00:20:19.690  
timmcdonough: No, the letters that were sent, and I'll give you some dates here,

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00:20:20.590 --> 00:20:24.649  
timmcdonough: Adam sent one on February 9th to Greg.



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00:20:25.000 --> 00:20:39.189

timmcDonough: On January 12th, again, Adam signed one that was sent to all you guys well, Geneva and Greg, carbon copy to a lot of different other people. And

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00:20:40.350 --> 00:20:43.389

timmcDonough: Let's see here, that one there

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00:20:46.630 --> 00:20:48.739

Mark Sogge: That's it Tim, there's just two letters.

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00:20:49.260 --> 00:20:50.280

timmcDonough: I'm sorry?

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00:20:50.280 --> 00:20:53.159

Mark Sogge: There are just two, two letters from the ACA.

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timmcDonough: Okay, well then, there was one on February 9th, and the one

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timmcDonough: January 12th and February 9th, those are the two that I'm referring to. And in those letters,

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timmcDonough: We came up with recommendations and some questions.

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timmcDonough: So, that was what I was wondering, if you had any response to those questions and recommendations.

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timmcDonough: I'll move on.

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timmcDonough: I would like to review those requests and recommendations.

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timmcDonough: The AC asked DFFP to provide any information, studies, reports, etc, that are informing and justifying its proposed amendment to reverse previous management direction.

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timmcDonough: Opened the entire forest to timber harvest, while abiding by its legal obligation to protect the other values, recreation, mining, traditional uses, fish and wildlife, habitat protection, and tourism, for which the forest was legislatively established.

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timmcDonough: The AC asks to review the new draft plan before it is released to the public for an official comment period. In this way, the AC can provide meaningful input on core concepts, direction, and overall management intent.

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timmcDonough: recommendations the AC has made. In order for a consultation process to be meaningful and lawful.

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timmcDonough: DFFP should immediately set aside this top-down policy recommendation and start the process over with a blank slate.

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timmcDonough: The AC should be participating in the actual drafting of a new plan, not relegated to simply filling out some comments after important and meaningful work has already been done.

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timmcDonough: Many new studies have been completed on the resources of the Haines State Forest since 2002, including many additions to ADF&G's Anadromous Waters Catalog.

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timmcDonough: DFFB should be working with partners on collecting up-to-date science that can guide and develop

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timmcDonough: The development of a new plan.

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timmcDonough: The AC supports small-scale local timber harvest. It does not support large-scale industrial

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timmcDonough: harvest that will export logs out of the community. The remaining commercial timber base on the Haines State Forest.

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timmcDonough: should now be managed to maintain and maximize other important values. Fish and wildlife habitat, subsistence resources, recreation, tourism, cultural heritage, and local timber needs.

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timmcDonough: New scientific studies should be conducted on spruce hemlock forest regeneration times. An accurate estimate of forest regeneration time is necessary not just for timber harvest management, but also for ecosystem restoration.

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timmcDonough: The 2002 plan accepts a time estimate of 120 years. It does not appear to be accurate for the Haines State Forest, where there is a colder, snow-dominated climate.

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timmcDonough: Restoration planning. A new or amended management plan should include restoration as an additional management land use category.

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timmcDonough: The 2002 plan sets aside large areas of the forest for the perpetuation of fish and wildlife habitat values and productivity.

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timmcDonough: And for the protection of recreational and cultural values and uses.

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timmcDonough: This core management strategy should be expanded upon in a new plan.

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timmcDonough: All of the Chilkoot River watershed should remain closed to commercial timber harvest, as it is currently subunits 8A, 8B, and D.

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timmcDonough: This area is extremely valuable as fish and wildlife habitat, especially salmon production.

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timmcDonough: For recreation, and for the tourism economy.

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timmcDonough: The current protected area around Chilcat Lake should be expanded to also include the Chilcat Ridge and adjacent areas, all of Unit 4.

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timmcDonough: Chilcat Ridge is extremely important for a number of reasons.

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timmcDonough: The Kelsaw River watershed, including adjacent areas along both sides of the Chilcat River, subunits 1A, 1C, 2A, and 2B, should be closed to any more large-scale road building and timber harvest, and managed instead for habitat conservation, restoration, and recreation.

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timmcDonough: The Takin River and Kicking Horse River areas are currently designated and protected as wildlife habitat in the 2002 plan, Unit 5.

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timmcDonough: These protections should remain in place in a new plan.

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timmcDonough: The Davidson Glacier area is currently designated in the 2002 plan as Public Recreation Land, Unit 6. This designation should remain in place.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: In a new plan.

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timmcDonough: The Farabee River Watershed Unit 9, is remote and inaccessible to industrial development. It should be managed

primarily for its value as fish and wildlife habitat, as well as for wilderness recreation and activities uses.

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timmcDonough: Please take these and any other comments from the AC into consideration. I compiled this list as an individual AC member, reviewing previous correspondences to DFFD.

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timmcDonough: I know I've missed some that other AC members will want to submit.

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timmcDonough: I believe the plan revision has been flawed since inception.

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timmcDonough: It began as an edict from above to open the entire forest to allowable cut.

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Mark Sogge: He was never driven by stakeholders interested in changing a plan that had functioned well for 23 years.

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timmcDonough: The process that should have included true consultation with this AC and others has not taken place.

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timmcDonough: I hope that will change in the future if a plan revision happens again.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Hey, Tim, and we do have those comments, so appreciate that.

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timmcDonough: I figured you probably had them. We just we had expected possibly coming prepared for

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timmcDonough: those with responses. And the reason I say that, when you wrote Adam.

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timmcDonough: And he responded to you.

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timmcDonough: I think he asked you to come prepared with things that we could trade information on.

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timmcDonough: And that That's what I was that's what the question was, at the beginning, was pointed towards.

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timmcDonough: If you had it. Anyway.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Yeah, and I well

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: I feel like I answered it. It's not it's not about allowable cut, it's about management management options.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: in those. We're not proposing any individual action.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: We're not proposing industrial-scale logging.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: We're just proposing that That that management be

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: In allowable use in those areas.

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timmcDonough: And I gotta ask one more time. Does I know you aren't proposing to log in those areas.

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timmcDonough: And what I want to know, or have you hear you say, is we're not proposing it, but

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timmcDonough: if somebody wanted to do it, if we were directed from above, or our forest management people said, well, we should log in those areas, you can do that if it says in the plan that it's allowable. Is that correct?

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: It would have to be in alignment with the land classification.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: I'm sorry, I've got some Hang on a second.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Let me try to turn this off. Sure. So just like in other areas of the state on general use lands.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: If it's classified for wildlife habitat or recreation.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: There's areas that where we can harvest timber, if it's as long as it's in alignment with the with the land classification.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: So, if you know, and we work closely with ADF&G on habitat projects, you know, for rough grouse or for bison habitat, and if it makes sense to harvest timber in those areas in alignment with those

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: That land classification, if we're doing it for habitat improvement, then it's then it's allowable, but it's not the same as if it's forest classified.

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timmcDonough: Yeah, I didn't think it was. I was I'm just concerned, I don't know, I think some of the other members might be too, that that what the plan says

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timmcDonough: Is, you know, the winds of

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timmcDonough: politics change, and suddenly it's okay to go in and log the wildlife habitat area, even though it's not classified as that. And that's my biggest concern.

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timmcDonough: I'll I'll let other people talk. Thank you for your response.

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Mark Sogge: Okay. Thank you, Tim, and thank you for the for Jeremy, for for speaking out. Is anybody else, any other members wish to make any kind of statement?

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Mark Sogge: Kathleen, go ahead.

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Mark Sogge: You're muted, Kathleen, so far.

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Kathleen Menke: Thank you.

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Kathleen Menke: We just went through a process with the, log transfer.

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Kathleen Menke: facility from the state in LUTAC,

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Kathleen Menke: And there was considerable community input.

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Kathleen Menke: It was from many organizations and many individuals.

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Kathleen Menke: And the response from the state came back.



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Kathleen Menke: Really, it really doesn't matter what you want.

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Kathleen Menke: or say the state can do whatever it wants to do.  
And I think that's our concern here.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Understood, Kathleen. Thanks for that comment.

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Mark Sogge: Nope. I

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Yep.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: I I'm not saying I'm not agreeing with that, but I understand that that is your concern, for sure.

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Mark Sogge: Okay, thank you, Kathleen. I think, Marvin, you were next. Kathleen, you can take down your hand if you're finished.

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Marvin Willard Jr: Yeah, I believe what everyone's trying to get to is the stipulation in the response

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Marvin Willard Jr: Of having that stipulation in writing.

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Marvin Willard Jr: We'd like to see it not there.

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Marvin Willard Jr: Because it just makes it easier

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Marvin Willard Jr: For whoever strokes their pen on a piece of paper can come in and just start destroying everything that

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Marvin Willard Jr: All the locals have been taking years to rebuild.

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Marvin Willard Jr: This place has been rebuilding for years.

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Marvin Willard Jr: And For someone just to come in and, you know.

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Marvin Willard Jr: go, oh, we need to do this because we need something else, but let's just keep doing it. But I think that I think the the stipulation in that writing is the only thing I believe Tim was asking.

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Marvin Willard Jr: his concern about, and I think and I'd be concerned about the same thing also.

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Marvin Willard Jr: Thank you.

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Mark Sogge: Thank you, Marvin.

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Mark Sogge: I think Nicholas, go ahead.

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nicholasszatkowski: Hi there, I guess, so one one thanks for the chance to speak.

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nicholasszatkowski: I'm a little unclear about what the process is here at this meeting. Are we, like

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nicholasszatkowski: Are you going to discuss ideas that we're suggesting to you? Things related to forestry, or about the condition of the Haines State Forest?

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Mark Sogge: Nicholas, at this point, that it's fairly open. If we go into the next stage, which is a presentation by, Geneva, she has a which I sent a copy of the presentation to you. She has a series of questions that she wants to ask. At this point, you, it's fairly open, and Jeremy and other people seem willing to answer whatever question

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Mark Sogge: comes up. If you're not, or Jeremy, I'm sorry if I misrepresented you, but if that's if that's okay, then we'll just leave it open.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: It's it's your meeting, and I'm here for any, you know, to support, so I

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: I mean, I yeah, I I can take more questions.

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Mark Sogge: Thank you.

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nicholasszatkowski: Okay. Thanks, yep. So I guess

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nicholasszatkowski: The way it looks to me, with, the

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nicholasszatkowski: proposal that, that, that we, have sort of unofficially received about opening up,

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nicholasszatkowski: You know, basically doubling the amount of operable timber base

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nicholasszatkowski: On the Haines State Forest.

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nicholasszatkowski: I think is a really drastically Wrong direction.

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nicholasszatkowski: I think that the Alaska statutes that require multiple-use management have not been actually followed.

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nicholasszatkowski: I think that the Haynes State Fort

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nicholasszatkowski: Virtually all of your efforts on timber management.

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nicholasszatkowski: And I have yet to see anything produced by the Haines State Forest that shows that you have a recognition of the

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nicholasszatkowski: health ecological health of the whole forest landscape in the valley.

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nicholasszatkowski: I don't see any indication that you're attempting to use management indicator species to help

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nicholasszatkowski: Ascertain if you're providing adequate habitat for those species that multiple-use management requires you to do.

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nicholasszatkowski: You're not allowed to Degrade habitat or viability

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nicholasszatkowski: for any species on the Haines State Forest, and if

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nicholasszatkowski: You're cumulatively having substantial impacts on the forest connectivity or the total amount of old-growth forest that is critical habitat for a wide array of species.

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nicholasszatkowski: I think that actually, it's time that the Haines State Forest

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nicholasszatkowski: Does make some amendments to the management plan.

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nicholasszatkowski: But in the exact opposite direction that is being proposed. I think it's overdue for you to make a complete end to logging a little growth forest, period, on the Haines State Forest. I think that time is overdue, and that's what I want to see come from your side. So, Mr. Douse, can you tell me what you think about that?

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Well, I To go back to what the intent is, it's to

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: To be allowed to, as an allowable use, using forest management activities in these land classifications.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: That, again, have to be in alignment with the with how the land is classified. So if it's classified for wildlife habitat, and then there's an issue having to do with habitat.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: where manipulation of vegetation is an objective, then we would be able to do that, because we can't right now. Same with the recreation, the recreation land classifications.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: So, I would just, in terms of the legal definitions of multiple use and sustained yield, I would just point you to AS4117950, which has those definitions.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: And then,

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: In terms of ecological health and protection of adjacent resources to forest management, I'm sure you're all aware of this, but we have the Alaska Forest Resources and Practices Act, which is truly its intent to protect

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Fish habitat, water quality, and keep forest as forest.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: And so we implement those, and we have a both a compliance monitoring program and an effectiveness monitoring program in those, in those programs to make sure that both operators are complying with that law, and that the the best management practices and the regulations that we implement

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Are effective at what they're intended to do.

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nicholasszatkowski: Yeah, I appreciate that, but that's not what I was asking you.

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nicholasszatkowski: maybe a better, a better question. What do you think, how long do you think it takes

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nicholasszatkowski: to reach old growth characteristics or condition in the Haines State Forest, in the Chilcat Valley.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: How long do I think it takes to get to old growth characteristics? Well, that's old growth is a structural component in forests.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: So, a stand could be 70 years old, and you can manipulate it so that it has old growth characteristics, which is usually defined by a multitude of different age classes within the stand, small openings, and coarse woody debris on the ground.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: So, it, it depends on the disturbance history and the stand, and

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: And then, like I said, if you if you're looking for old growth function and old growth structure, then you can you can manipulate the stand to do that.

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nicholasszatkowski: It's interesting to hear that response. I think that that's not correct. I don't think, actually, old-growth forests can have no age classes older than 70 years old. I don't think that's correct at all.

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nicholasszatkowski: Additionally, I would mention that

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nicholasszatkowski: Greg Palmieri mentioned to me in personal conversation some years ago, he thought it took 300 years to reach old growth condition.

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nicholasszatkowski: In this area.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: And then, if you're just leaving it to natural disturbance, it may.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: I but I can't speak to the conversation that you had.

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nicholasszatkowski: no, of course, I don't expect you to address that directly. What's your understanding of the role of mycorrhizal fungi?

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nicholasszatkowski: In the Haines State Forest.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Yeah, so it's, I mean, it's, it's a nutrient,

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: It's uptake of nutrients in trees, you know, it's a fungi that has a mutually beneficial relationship with the tree itself, allowing for uptake of nutrients.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: And then the fungi surviving.

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nicholasszatkowski: And so and so how what kind of role does that play in the Chilcat Valley?

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nicholasszatkowski: What do you think?

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: I don't it's it has a similar role to mycorrhizal fungi all over forested ecosystems. I don't know that I understand your question.

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nicholasszatkowski: Paris, it seems not. What I'm asking is

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nicholasszatkowski: What's your understanding of the significance of that relationship between the various mycorrhizal fungi species and forest health in the Chilcat Valley?

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: It's it's very important in all forested ecosystems.

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nicholasszatkowski: Yeah, okay, I that's that's I do agree with that. I think it's easy to see in the Chilcat Valley, looking at areas that have had

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nicholasszatkowski: industrial logging.

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nicholasszatkowski: Chris, and I certainly, I don't mind saying.



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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: I'm happy to see that some of the more recent logging.

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nicholasszatkowski: That's happened by local operators, that's happened on a smaller scale, involving selective harvest, has maintained a lot more mature forest characteristics.

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nicholasszatkowski: And the soil is healthier, and in those cases, mycorrhizal fungi often can persist and survive, and they help, then, the remaining trees or new seedlings.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Sure, isn't that

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nicholasszatkowski: The way it was managed, large-scale clear cuts have killed off the mycorrhizal fungi, and the young trees just don't grow back, or they grow back very slowly.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: And what's really important is having coarse woody debris on the ground for small mammal habitat for the distribution of mycorrhizal fungi, right? Because that's those are the critters that eat that stuff.

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nicholasszatkowski: part of it, but you have to maintain an old-growth connectivity so that you have good habitat for forest owls and other predators on those mycophagous species, like northern flying squirrels or redback voles, that eat those mycorrhizal fungi and spread the spores. Then when the predators on those mammals.

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nicholasszatkowski: They eat the they eat the vole, they eat the squirrel, and they actually literally poop out the spores across the forest. But those all those species are not comfortable moving across large open areas. They're absolutely obligate to old-growth forest. So if you no longer have a

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nicholasszatkowski: connected landscape of old-growth forest, those species don't cross that area anymore.

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nicholasszatkowski: This is well established, and there are decades of research about this stuff. If we were somewhere else, U.S. National Forests, they've been using old-growth management for decades.

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nicholasszatkowski: I don't understand why the Haines State Forest and the management through the DNR is just still failing to understand you have to maintain old-growth forest connectivity for the forest to be healthy, to maintain all the species. I've yet to see

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nicholasszatkowski: adequate

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nicholasszatkowski: propose a single logging sale. They might give you their input about that individual logging scale, but there's or, sale, rather.

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nicholasszatkowski: But they're not assessing the entire forest and the cumulative impact, especially in consideration of the historical logging and disruption that's happened in that forest landscape. So there's nobody in fishing game that is gonna address that, but the Haines State Forest has to address that. If you want to

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nicholasszatkowski: have a social license, if you want to have support from the public to be considered responsible in management of this landscape, you have to show that you understand those processes, and that you're managing with that in mind.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: 45 years?

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nicholasszatkowski: That makes sense to you?

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Yeah, I appreciate the comment, Nicholas.

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Mark Sogge: Nikki, Nicholas, is there anything else?

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nicholasszatkowski: That's all I need, for another moment. Thanks.

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Mark Sogge: Okay.

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Mark Sogge: Thank you. Thanks again, Jeremy, for responding. Kip, you're you're up?

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Kip: Yeah, thanks, Mark, and thanks, Jeremy and Genevieve, for coming, and whoever else is there. I'm sorry I didn't catch everybody's name at the start.

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Kip: The first question I have, at the at the last, the last Bald Eagle Preserve meeting.

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Kip: Greg had mentioned, Greg Palmieri had mentioned, that there is ongoing research that will be referred to.

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Kip: When looking at these areas, habitat, recreation areas that are currently out of

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Kip: Out of the cycle for cutting, but will be included in the cut potential, it sounds like.

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Kip: So, can you just describe what, the department is doing locally here in terms of,

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Kip: Ongoing research. That's my first question.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: And I'm Do you have a Do you understand?

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Do you remember the conversation they had?

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: You know, we do things like decision here.

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Mark Sogge: We can

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: You can't really hear Greg. Yeah, no, I, I, I get you. Can you come over?

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Yeah, Kit, this was Greg.

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Kip: Hey, Greg.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Hey.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: So

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: We rely on our sister agencies doing the research that they do on a regular basis, like ADF&G and their anatomous catalog development.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: So that's that's an active part of our management strategy.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: As we move forward and implement forest practices and timber sales.

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Kip: Okay, that just One component, though, in terms of the forest itself,

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Kip: what research is being done? You know, I sent you some questions, I realize, I apologize, it was very recently. I think maybe it was Monday or Tuesday. I had a

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Kip: Something sweet.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Dude!

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Yeah, I I did, yep.

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Kip: Yeah.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: So, so we do, you know, we do inventory work, and we do monitoring in terms of FERPA compliance and effectiveness.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: But we're not a research unit, we're not like the Forest Service that has a research arm. We rely on the Forest Service to and and the universities, relevant universities that are doing work.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: to, to, provide research, and that helps guide management.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: And, you know, all of the foresters that work in the division try to keep up on on new literature that comes out, as we can, but like I said, we are we're a state forestry agency, and like all state forestry agencies, we don't have a research component.

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Kip: Yeah, okay, it just It really feels like

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Kip: When when we are this day and age, the State Forestry Department.

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Kip: is even considering clear cuts. I don't think there's another Another forest in the country.

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Kip: wild forests that they still clear-cut. I think it's extremely unusual these days.

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Kip: That is

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: That Oop, I'm sorry, go ahead, I'm sorry.

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Kip: I you I'm sure there you I'm sure you can correct me about that.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: No, I understand where you're coming from. It is a silvicultural system, like, it's, you know.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: There's a whole suite of different silvicultural systems, from single tree selection all the way to clear cut, right? Even aged management. And it just depends on the condition of the stand.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Where you're where you're going what system you're going to use.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: And I think

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Greg, in the harvest units that I've seen anyways, does not typically implement clear cutting. I know Haynes does have a history of it, though.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: But it just depends on what the stand needs. There are stands that are, you know, that can be

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Really decadent, and, have a lot of rot, and if the objective is for timber production, then clear cutting does make sense.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: But, you know, I get that it's a loaded term. The term clear-cut is very loaded, and, and it's, you know, it's

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: It has some some history.

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Kip: Well, the first reaction from what you just said is when you talk about what stands need.

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Kip: I've never heard, read, or talked to anyone

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Kip: Who was aware that clear that old-growth forests need anything.

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Kip: They don't need our help, they need us to to stand back.

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Kip: And so it's really disturbing, this policy that's being put forth.

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Kip: when there's potential, that's what we're all concerned about, as you know. I mean, there's no mystery here. It's very clear. I agree with what the

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Kip: Proceeding, folks addressed, when they spoke, Tim, Nicholas,

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Kip: It's just really hard to sit here and feel as though we're going to have

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Kip: Any kind of effect on this policy.

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Kip: You just mentioned a minute ago, well, if it needs a treatment, talking about brushing, brushing a particular forest out for some

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Kip: good, you know, whatever that might be. Because I was going to ask, what are these other treatments that I've read about in some of the language I'm reading here? It's not just, just cutting, timber.

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Kip: I To you to mention that is what you're you're kind of,

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Kip: Intimating that that's that's where this is headed.

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Kip: I'm not confident that that's the case at all, and I'm not confident the next administration, whoever that might be.

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Kip: Might feel the same way.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: I just want to be clear, you asked about clear cutting, which is a silvicultural system, and again, we're not proposing any individual treatment on anything here. I'm just responding to what a clear cut is.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Which is an even-aged management technique.



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Kip: No, I understand that, thank you, yeah. So, given that the amendment is intended to open up the entire forest for multiple use, if I'm not mistaken.

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Kip: What would a proposal, How about a proposal by the AC

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Kip: Go over, requesting that, There's no clear-cut logging.

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Kip: Of old growth here.

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Kip: And that we turn it into habitat, since it's multiple use.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: simply used.

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Kip: why not why not just go the other way? Why don't we have our shot first at looking at the Haines State Forest and and helping,

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Kip: with a lot of expertise, identify what areas are most critical habitat. This exercise was done, as you know, a long time ago. That's how we ended up with some of these habitat.

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Kip: Types and classifications and recreation.

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Kip: So, we all know that, Chilcat Ridge, I don't know what the

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Kip: the treatment is going to be on Chilcat Ridge. We know how valuable that habitat is. Some of the oldest growth we have here, extremely valuable, way more valuable than stumps.

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Kip: And, you mentioned a little while ago that,

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Kip: You know, this is they'd be much more valuable.

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Kip: standing, as opposed to being cut. And this will actually comply with your need.

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Kip: For a sustainable management plan.

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Kip: There's nothing more sustainable.

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Kip: then, hands-off of an old-growth forest. I mean, they're pretty capable of doing a lot without our help.

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Kip: In the document that was sent out today to the AC,

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Kip: There's a statement here, the primary classification for these lands will remain habitat or recreation.

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Kip: respectively, and any forest management activities proposed in those areas in the future would be required to reflect those primary classifications. That kind of sounds encouraging.

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Kip: But what we don't know is what kind of metrics you'll be using.

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Kip: In your assessment, of how these management practices, you know, reflect the primary classification. What does that mean?

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Kip: How's the assessment? Go ahead.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: I can tell you what it looks like on, like, the Tanana Valley State Forest.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: And so, if there is a habitat objective.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Within the state forest, usually it's ADF&G that approaches us about doing the work.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Sometimes not, but, you know, it's either they've approached us about doing a specific project, or they've identified an area, like the Bison Range, where they would like to see, you know, habitat, some kind of a habitat conversion.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: And so, we, you know, with their input, we developed some kind of a prescription for the for that site, and and then implement it.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: So that's for habitat, that's how it can look.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: For recreation, it would I I'm not

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: well, no, there's been one instance where I've seen, a harvest being proposed within a recreation area, and it had mostly to do with removal of hazard trees in, like, campgrounds, that sort of thing, or creating access into new areas where

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Something was being proposed.

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Kip: So is that do you find that relevant, those comments relevant to what would be considered or likely to happen here in the Haines State Forest?

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: I'm just telling you what what I've, what I've seen.

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Kip: In Tanana, yeah, in that area. But my question is, what is your intention here? And Greg may know. I understand there's two new positions coming on board.

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Kip: Possibly.

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Kip: In the Haines State Forest.

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Kip: That's concerning to me.

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Kip: Unless there's going to be some local research that they're engaged in that's going to inform how

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Kip: State Forestry goes about these cuts, prescribed cuts, and various treatments.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Those

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Kip: Yeah, go ahead.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Yeah, those two positions were historically in hands, and those two positions, it's an area forester and a resource forester position.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: They they were there up until 2016 in the during the cuts.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: But those positions both of those positions have been needed to do any, you know, all of the

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: all the management of the state forest. And additionally, having a resource forester in Haines

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: can help with other areas in Southeast.

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Kip: So, one proposal that I would suggest before any consideration for cutting in these habitat or recreation areas, for that matter.

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Kip: Would be that all the cuts, all the areas that are Currently classified to be cut.

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Kip: Either have a very specific treatment identified.

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Kip: So that everyone knows, and I'd like to know these were not going to change.

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Kip: What the what the treatments will be.

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Kip: Or, to actually do all of your any cutting that needs to be done in the Haines State Forest.

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Kip: Do all that cutting prior to even considering habitat or recreation classification sites or lands.

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Kip: Before anything happens on habitat or classification, lands, habitat, or recreation. I'd love to see that as be part of a policy.

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Kip: Because at that point, you'd be

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Kip: Way more informed about what the impacts are going to be on either habitat or recreation, based upon adjacent properties

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Kip: And and It just it just the way this is is coming down is,

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Kip: It just does not sit well with so many of us. And,

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Kip: I guess I guess we're just at the,

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Kip: Mercy of this administration at this point, unless you have any words of wisdom that,

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Kip: That's all I have for at the moment. Thank you very much for coming. Appreciate your

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Thanks, Kip.

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Mark Sogge: Okay, we have Elena.

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Mark Sogge: Still to speak.

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Alaina Birkel: Thanks, Mark, and thanks, Director Dowse, and all Division of Forestry staff for being here. I know, you've been getting a lot of questions, and really appreciate you all, trying to provide answers to us and to the public.

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Alaina Birkel: I think one of the questions, or maybe not even a question, but I think confusion that I have in regards to the change in policy language is around just the fact that

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Alaina Birkel: I heard you say, Director Dowse, that multiple use is kind of the rationale for that decision, and I believe that the plan in 2002 was really

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Alaina Birkel: created, and those designations were created with a lot of public input, and with that multiple-use management in mind, and it's hard to think that the state of Alaska would

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Alaina Birkel: think its own management is in contradiction to the statute for over 20 years, so I just am curious, outside of,

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Alaina Birkel: like, multiple use itself, and knowing that Division of Forestry is not a research entity, but that there was so much work that went into that initial 2002

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Alaina Birkel: land classification system, how we could justify making changes just in regards to

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Alaina Birkel: the statute that has been governing your all's management this whole time. I think that might be my personal point of confusion, and I'm not sure if that reflects other advisory council members as well, but just, yeah, thanks.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Yeah, thanks for the question.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Elena,

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: The multiple use management statute having to do with the Haines State Forest says that it will be managed under principles of multiple use and sustained yield under AS4117.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: And those definitions are provided in AS4117.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: And the concern is that we're not truly meeting multiple use sustained yields for management of the Haines State Forest.

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Mark Sogge: Yeah, I have a follow-up question about that. Section B of that statute says.

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Mark Sogge: That some land will be used for less than all of the resources.

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Mark Sogge: I mean, it's very clear that I mean, you, you said at the very beginning that, that, you're you want to

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Mark Sogge: allow forestry forest timber harvest over the entire forest, because that's that would be, congruent with the with multiple use, but multiple use definition in statute says that that's not necessary, so I wonder how you square those two, that contradiction.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Yeah, right, and some some lands will not, need, you know, require any

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Some lands would not be managed, right, because the stand itself doesn't, doesn't

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: doesn't have some kind of an issue that needs to be addressed, right? So, any of these management activities would have to be, you know, in alignment with the land classification.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: And that, you know, depending on what the evaluation of the stand is, it may not make sense to do activities like forest management activities.

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Mark Sogge: But I think that ties back to, you know, the initial confusion here that seems like the reason we're having an amendment



besides the carbon sequestration part of it, is that there seems to be a directive to

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Mark Sogge: to allow timber harvest on all possible, all lands, possible lands, and that, that is the that's the reason for the amendment. And and if we

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Mark Sogge: if that's not necessary, because as the statute says, you don't have to do that, then what's the driving force here? Some of these lands, I mean, the decision was made in 2002, after a lot of research and everything else, that certain lands were better used as,

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Mark Sogge: as for recreation, or better use for habitat. In fact, that, you know, I've heard a lot of arguments in

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Mark Sogge: in different discussions from the forestry about value, like, getting the most value out of the forest. And the decision was made before that, and I think that, in a lot of ways, it's been strengthened over time, that the value of the forest is often in it's more valuable as habitat for the fishery, which is has a long-term duration. It's more valuable as recreation for commercial tourism.

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Mark Sogge: So those those that value argument doesn't make any sense to me either. So so that sort of undercuts the whole need of this proposal to or this potential policy.

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Mark Sogge: to harvest to allow harvest everywhere. Why would we do that? I mean, we're not mandated to do that. As Elena said a second ago, we ran for years with a, you know, 25 years, or whatever it is, 20, 23, 24 years.

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Mark Sogge: without doing that, and it wasn't challenged in court. And this seems like a major change that and an unnecessary change from the point of view of

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Mark Sogge: Of many of the members of this, of this AC.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Yeah, I appreciate the comment, Mark.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: I, I

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: I get that you're it sounds like that at least the people that are speaking are not in in favor of this of this this idea.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: We in other in Southeast State Forest, we have areas that

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Our, you know, that safe forest is

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: managed under 4117, so it's in the state forest. We still work with ADF&G to identify areas where there's important habitat features, and we don't we don't do timber harvest. And so, just because it's an allowable use within the,

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Within the land unit.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: We're still working with ADF&G to identify that stuff, so there there may be areas where it wouldn't make sense to do timber harvest.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: And even within the lands that are classified for forestry, it may not make a lot of sense to do timber harvest in areas where there's important habitat features.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: We work we work with ADF and G on that.

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Mark Sogge: Elena had a follow-up, I think.

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Alaina Birkel: Yeah, thanks, Mark. I think one question I had just in hearing your response, Director Dowse, and Mark's question was.

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Alaina Birkel: Is there specific stands that the Division of Forestry is identifying in the wildlife or recreation land classifications that are in need of treatment? Because

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Alaina Birkel: It would be really helpful, I think, to the Fish and Game Advisory Council and the public to kind of

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Alaina Birkel: have some ideas as this type of prescription, document comes out with what's in what's actually in mind. And I'm just wondering if you could speak to that.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: No, these these forest plans are not, proposing any specific actions. It's just a we have allowable uses within these areas, and it's just

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: It's just allowing for forest management as an allowable use within those areas.

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Mark Sogge: Okay, Kip, follow up?

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Kip: Yeah, thank you. Yeah, I apologize, I may not have understood you correctly, but Jeremy, did you say that the Haines State Forest has not been meeting?

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Kip: It sustainably yields.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: I didn't say that.

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Kip: Okay, there's not a mandate for the Haines State Force volume coming off the Haines State Force.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: No, that's no, that's not what that's not what I said. Okay.

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Kip: I yeah, okay, I thought you said something about the Haines State Force yield, and that was part of

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Kip: I think part of the

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Kip: discussion here. Okay, I'm mistaken. Thank you.

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Mark Sogge: I have another question, if that's okay. Jeremy, I appreciate your response.

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Mark Sogge: And I'm gonna I wrote it down, so I'm gonna read it out just so I don't mess it up. Okay, it says, why is the Division of Forestry presenting our alternative in such start terms? In other words, the black and white log everywhere, or that's the proposal.

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Mark Sogge: When the obvious compromise is to prohibit timber in areas where the studies, previous studies that we have, we haven't and there's lots of new studies that we don't know are being looked at.

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Mark Sogge: They indicate that the forest has higher value for habitat for recreation. We have the studies, we have the, you know, the other plan was based on extensive resource studies.

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Mark Sogge: And, you know, we know those areas already. Why why are we being offered to engage in a in, you know, what's broad policy development, when it seems like, really, there's there's little room for any compromise on the part of, the Department of Forestry?

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: I just want to be clear, I thought I heard you say that we're proposing

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: widespread logging maybe you didn't use that exact term.

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Mark Sogge: No, I didn't say that. No, the only thing I meant was that, you know, the sticking point for everyone, as you can see, is this idea that

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Mark Sogge: you know, it has to be open, the whole forest has to be open to timber harvest, when it doesn't make any sense. When we know, perfectly well that some areas already, we already know that. I mean, it includes, like.

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Mark Sogge: the river bottom of the Cahini, for instance, like, why would you open that up to timber harvest? Or areas that we know, like on the far side of the Sirku River, that if we harvest timber within them, above Chilcat Lake, we're going to have a disaster potentially for the sockeye run.

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Mark Sogge: which would devastate, you know, the Chilcast Sockeye run.

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Mark Sogge: We know that information is known already. It's not like we have to go back and rediscover it. And yet, to open to put in this proposal, ignoring all that information seems like it it's going backwards. It's not it's not

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Mark Sogge: providing us with any reasoning. We don't we don't have any reason. We're supposed to we're supposed to comment on on a proposal that most of us don't agree with, and I don't you know, how do we how do we work that out? I I don't know where the gray area is. There doesn't seem to be any. It seems to be

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Mark Sogge: open the entire forest up to to timber harvest. That's that's the proposal.

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Mark Sogge: Or or be against it. And yet, you know, there should be some gray area that we can work within.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: It's it's open up it's opened up areas to forest management.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: That are in alignment with the land classification.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Right? And then we still have the we still have the normal

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: compliance requirements under FERPA, which are riparian protection, protection of water quality and fish habitat, and keeping forest as forest. So after a unit and this is in forest class in any of the land classifications, as soon as it's been harvested, we have to make sure that it goes back to forest.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: So, so if there's you know.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Impact to fish to fisheries or water quality through

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: You know, a poor implementation of these best management practices

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Then it would have to be addressed.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Right? You know what I'm saying? Like, it would have to be fixed.

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Mark Sogge: Right, right.

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Mark Sogge: And I guess the point of view from a lot of the members of this AC is that it would be better to look into those areas that have the most value, and not put them at risk in the first place, and then not try and mitigate that risk at a later date. I guess that's a central point response to what you're saying.

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Mark Sogge: I think Kathleen has something else?

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Mark Sogge: You're

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Kathleen Menke: things. You keep talking about A directive for Maximum returned to the state?

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Kathleen Menke: What do you mean by that?

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: I those are not my words.

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Kathleen Menke: Okay, because we haven't seen any cost-benefit analysis.

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Kathleen Menke: And then also the statutes that are referred to. You mentioned some kind of statute that says the state is

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Kathleen Menke: supposed to Basically, harvest their logs for its maximum benefit to the state.

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Kathleen Menke: And how do you calculate that?

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: The only statutes that I've referenced were the multiple-use management statute,

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: specific to Haines State Forest, and then the definitions under 4117.

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Kathleen Menke: So, we haven't seen any real costs

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Kathleen Menke: Cost-benefit analysis, and there's also statutes, state statutes, that refer to anti-degradation policies.

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Kathleen Menke: And That's that's something that you have to consider That when you

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Kathleen Menke: Cut trees, you're, raising the temperature.

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Kathleen Menke: Of the land in the watershed.

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Kathleen Menke: And increasing the evaporation so that, the water the hydrological cycle?

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Mark Sogge: Is.

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Kathleen Menke: affected, and It exposes the area

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Kathleen Menke: To more fire, and reduces the

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Kathleen Menke: The diversity of species in the area.

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Kathleen Menke: And and I just don't

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Kathleen Menke: see that that's being addressed by the forestry. It's just a matter of board feet, and dollars and cents, and, you know, and that only seems to add up for the state if it's some kind of industrial scale kind of thing, and

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Kathleen Menke: You know, we're pretty good here with,

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Kathleen Menke: You know, careful logging for firewood, and to

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Kathleen Menke: Service our local sawmills and, for local, you know, wood for construction.

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Kathleen Menke: But The fact that this is being combined with a log transfer facility for export,

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Kathleen Menke: It's looking like there's a whole alter

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Kathleen Menke: You know, ulterior motive here that's not being

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Kathleen Menke: Justified for the community, or even for the state itself.

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Kathleen Menke: So what are your thoughts on that?

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Right?

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: I don't know, was there a I mean, I'm sorry, Kathleen, was there a question in that?

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Kathleen Menke: Yeah, are you considering?

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Kathleen Menke: Increased temperatures, reduced anti-degradation policies, cost-benefit analysis, loss of diversity.

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Kathleen Menke: a more increased vulnerability to wildfire. Are you considering those things? Is the state are you being directed to consider those things?

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Yeah, so we've got a few different,

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: things that we have to do. I've mentioned the Forest Resources and Practices Act, and that there's a number of things that we have to take into consideration.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Lots of regulations there.

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Natalie's iPhone: For the protection.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: fish habitat and water quality, and then, you know, reforestation. On all of our timber sales, you know, particularly,

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Well, certainly, you know, in the interior, and even on the hands.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: After a unit's been harvested, we're always considering wildfire risk of the, you know, some of the slash that's left on site.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: So yeah, we do take that stuff into consideration. And then, all of the for the economics, these sales have to pencil they have to pencil positive for the, operator. They can't be deficit sales, so that's that's something that's taken into consideration as well.

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Mark Sogge: Isn't.

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Kathleen Menke: Taken into consideration after.

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Kathleen Menke: After you've cut it.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: No, that's that's all taken into consideration beforehand.

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Kathleen Menke: Thank you.

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Mark Sogge: Just a quick follow-up on that, Jeremy, then,

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Mark Sogge: How about the cost-benefit of not logging versus logging, rather than just the cost-benefit of logging itself? I mean, do you weigh the value of the land long-term for its fisheries production potential?

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Mark Sogge: It's recreational, you know, commercial recreational potential, both revenue sources for this community. Do you weigh that against the value of the timber that you're getting out of it, or do you just look at whether or not the timber is beneficial, the harvest is beneficial for the, for the operator and for the state?

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: So, we have an interest in supporting whatever level of industry exists around these state forests, and we are

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: You know, interested in in-state processing,

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: So that they have a source of raw material for value-added, or for firewood, or whatever they're producing. So,

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: So when there is an interest in a harvest unit by somebody in industry, that's something that we take into consideration. Again, as long as the land classification is

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: You know, classified for forestry.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: We have, like I've mentioned, we have a lot of protections for fish habitat and water quality.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: That we have that we have no we have no,

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: choice on, we have to comply with these regulations. And so, the consideration of

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: fish habitat, or of fisheries, commercial fisheries, or personal use fisheries, are not something that go into the,

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: aside from FERPA, they're not they're not something that we consider the economics of.

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Mark Sogge: So you don't really look at the value, and you I mean, there's a lot of language in, in, both Greg, in his, in his presentation at the, at the, Baldview Preserve, and other things about the value of the, of the forestry that, but also encouraging,

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Mark Sogge: forestry industries. But it seems to me fundamental that if you're going to look at the value of the forest in terms of its timber, you should also look at the value of the forest as a fisheries resource, as wildlife habitat.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Well, our intent is to not impact the fisheries, right? Because we have these riparian buffers, we have a number of practices that we have to adhere to to protect those resources.

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Mark Sogge: Right.

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Mark Sogge: Okay, Marvin has a question, and oh, Craig did first, I think. Go ahead, Craig, you your hand went up and down, but it came back up.

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Mark Sogge: You're muted, Craig, so far.

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Craig Loomis: Sorry, I got the wrong button. Okay, just Craig Loomis,

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Craig Loomis: I'm not real good with words with the I agree with everybody that's spoken about this, and I wanted to ask you, because of having lived here for my entire life, so I came here in 10, and I was involved in logging the Upper Kelsaw all over.

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Craig Loomis: And I would be wanted to ask you, your management plans are not working. Are you able, or would you be willing to change your management plan to not cut the forest so it doesn't decimate the whole valley?

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Craig Loomis: Because I'm pretty sure that when you cut down a tree, it's dead.

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Craig Loomis: And your plan to protect the fish and game, to protect

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Craig Loomis: the goats, protect the moose, and protect all our subsistence rights in this valley is not working, and I want to ask

you, yes or no, would you be willing to change the management plan of the Forest Service so it starts to work?

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Craig Loomis: Thank you.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: So we have a we have a statutory requirement for multiple use management on the Haines State Forest.

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Craig Loomis: That's that's not what I asked you. I asked you yes or no. I've lived here have you walked through

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Craig Loomis: I used to walk through the old growth up here. These streams were full of fish.

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Craig Loomis: there were habitat galore. You guys, as the state of Alaska, whether it was fish management, whether it was managing anything, have not done the right thing. You need to change your management plans, which would be including not to log the forest.

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Craig Loomis: Select cut? No, maybe.

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Craig Loomis: and maybe logging for firewood and stuff, but industrial logging in the state of Alaska, I don't care where it is, it's you need to change the management plan of the state of Alaska for forest development. And

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Craig Loomis: as far as old growth, there's a reason they call it old growth. It's not 70 years old. I'm 75, and I'm almost you know, this is not working. You guys, as the you keep telling us this stuff.

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Craig Loomis: And it's not working!

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Craig Loomis: I know what the Kelsaw used to be like.

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Craig Loomis: And your management plan needs to change.

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Craig Loomis: And I want to ask you, would you be willing to go back up to your superiors? Yes or no? Are you willing to do that?

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: It's not a yes or no question, Craig. I answered it. We have a statutory requirement on management of the state forests.

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Craig Loomis: Yes, I understand that, sir.

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Craig Loomis: But it's not working!

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Craig Loomis: The fish, the forest, everything around here is not working right anymore. It needs to change. I hate to keep

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Craig Loomis: Oh, okay, never mind, thank you very much.

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Mark Sogge: It seems like maybe the you're saying, Jeremy, that it's driven by the you have marching orders from the law, really, from the statutes that say you have to manage a forest for harvest, is that correct? Is that what you're saying?

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: I'm saying for multiple use. Haines specifically is for multiple use.

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Mark Sogge: Right, yeah, we have a we were exi we were created separately from the other two state fours, right?

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Mark Sogge: That's right. But one of those multiple uses, I mean, just to, you know, take Craig's point of view for a second, one of

those other multiple uses could be, let's manage this entire forest for habitat, for fisheries, and see what happens. See if we can rebuild all these fisheries, like

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Mark Sogge: Rather than I mean, that's and let's let's fishery and recreation, there's two uses, and that would be multiple use. It doesn't have to include logging by statute. I mean.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: I get what you're I get what you're saying. So in areas that are classified for forestry, we can do timber harvest.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Folks can recreate, and then there's there's wildlife habitat.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: that exist in those areas. And so that's multiple use management. In areas that are classified for wildlife habitat or for recreation, you can you can recreate in there, and you can and there is wildlife habitat in both of those.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: But you cannot harvest timber. Or, you know, there's no it's not even an allowable use. So, again.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: you know, we focus on our forest classified areas for meeting what industry needs in the Chilcat Valley.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: And then those other areas, if there was a need or a desire by, like, ADF&G, or that something is going on, there's a forced health issue, something is happening.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: We don't have any tools in the toolbox to be able to implement anything.

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Mark Sogge: Okay, I just, I just heard you say that in areas of recreation or habitat, you cannot harvest timber.



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Mark Sogge: You just said that a second ago, and yet yet I think that what the proposal is, is to actually

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Mark Sogge: Allow harvest of timber in.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Yep.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: That's under the current management plan.

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Mark Sogge: Yeah, under the current match, you can plan, you can't, which I find it which I think is fully supported pretty much, by this AC, and what you're proposing is to actually turn that upside down and say, no, no, we want we want to potentially allow the harvest in in habitat land, in recreation land.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: As long as it's in alignment with the forest classification, or with the land classification, correct.

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Mark Sogge: well, what if but someone's always going to argue that those things are incompatible, and I guess the, you know, that timber and fisheries are not compatible. Someone's going to always argue that I'll argue that, and

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Mark Sogge: And yet, so we'll butt up with differing, you know, butt heads with differing opinions. Fish and Game will say, well, you know, as long as you leave a 300-foot buffer on streams that we've classified in anatomous.

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Mark Sogge: So, but that doesn't fully protect it, because Fish and Games is their habitat division is not into doing more than what is statutorily required either, as we found out at the log transfer facility. They don't they didn't feel like they needed to do any more research, and they just said, well, it's not habitat.

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Mark Sogge: So it doesn't need to be protected, basically. So we have a, we have a, you know, and I'm a former Fish and Game employee who was the manager of the fisheries here, by the way, but

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Mark Sogge: in, in Hanes, and

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Mark Sogge: I think that, you know, there's just difficulty on our point of view. It's like, well, if you know that it's habitat land.

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Mark Sogge: And as you said a minute ago, that logging shouldn't be allowed there, then why make this change? You know?

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Mark Sogge: Go ahead, I'm sorry.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: No, I was about to say that's not exactly what I said, but I see what you're saying. I did say there's gonna be some stands in some of these areas where it won't make sense to harvest timber, or to do some kind of a treatment.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: It just depends on the stand characteristics, and I think that's what you were referencing, and I did say that.

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Mark Sogge: Yeah.

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Mark Sogge: Okay. We have.

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Geneva Preston - DFFP: Can I jump in for a second? This is Geneva, and I cannot figure out how to raise my hand, but I'd love to respond to this conversation a little bit.

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Mark Sogge: Is that okay? It's under something, I know that's under React, I think.

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Mark Sogge: Lagoon.

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Marvin Willard Jr: my hair is

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Geneva Preston - DFFP: nervous about Sending up a flurry of hearts,  
not

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: That's not my intention.

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Geneva Preston - DFFP: We'd appreciate that. Okay, I just I've been  
thinking a lot about, kind of, like, this moment of our  
conversation recently, because

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Geneva Preston - DFFP: Craig, your contributions are really kind of  
touching on

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Geneva Preston - DFFP: Maybe your perspective is that you're not  
really in support of the purpose of the State Forest Resource  
Management Area as it stands now.

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Geneva Preston - DFFP: I want to kind of submit to this group that  
if that is your opinion.

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Geneva Preston - DFFP: That's a valid opinion, it's yours, and it's  
not really something that can be addressed in the scope of a  
management plan amendment.

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Geneva Preston - DFFP: So the decision about

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Geneva Preston - DFFP: Like, how the mission or the purpose of this  
land base is defined in statutes.

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Geneva Preston - DFFP: That's determined by the lawmakers. And so right now, our statute exists as it does. It defines the purpose of the Haines State Forest in a way that

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Geneva Preston - DFFP: Jeremy has been referencing throughout our conversation in a way that includes multiple use, and that multiple use includes potential timber harvest. So, that's the framework that we are kind of bound by in the terms of this management plan amendment.

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Geneva Preston - DFFP: If there are members of this group that

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Geneva Preston - DFFP: want to advocate for a different purpose on that parcel of lands that is currently a resource management area, that's a concern that I would encourage you to communicate to your representatives, because the lawmakers of the legislature are the folks who ultimately get to make that decision.

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Geneva Preston - DFFP: And so I think I just wanted to kind of, like, add a little bit of insight as to kind of what's within our control in the scope of a management plan amendment. And we are really kind of bound by the statute as it's written right now.

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Geneva Preston - DFFP: In in what we're able to address in the management plan.

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Mark Sogge: Okay, I could respond, but I'm not going to, so Marvin, go ahead.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: I just to pause for a second Oh, sorry, sorry, go ahead. I do I mean, we've been going for an hour and almost 20 minutes, so I I I don't know, I'm happy to keep going here, but I think you had some other items in the agenda. I believe Geneva had a presentation to give, and I just

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: If we wanna

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: If we want to keep going down this road, we can do that. But just wanted to

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Take a pause for a second.

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Mark Sogge: I I would, I can't speak for the whole group, but personally, I think this is beneficial, this conversation. We've been sort of asking for

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Mark Sogge: more of a conversation rather than responding to a series of questions. If you don't mind staying around until we run out of steam here.

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Mark Sogge: I would I think I would prefer that. I don't know if anybody objects to that or or not.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Oops, shoot.

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Mark Sogge: Nobody anybody want to speak up and say which way they want to go? I'm happy just continuing if you're happy, Jeremy.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: I yep, I mean, I I thought this was gonna be an hour-long meeting total, so I've got some other obligations, so I I do want to

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: if we can go maybe another 20 minutes, and then I should probably,

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: I should probably cut out then.

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Mark Sogge: Yeah, and at that point, I think, you know, it's getting late for Geneva, too, and maybe we could decide whether or not we think it's beneficial to go through her presentation or not. At that point, we don't want to run too late, either, for her, so

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Mark Sogge: Okay, well, we'll we'll keep going. We got one thumbs up anyway, so how about Marvin? You want to keep want to say something?

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Marvin Willard Jr: Oh, yeah. Well, I appreciate that he's still here, because this is the most

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Marvin Willard Jr: Information that we've gotten with a lot of our questions that we've been pondering.

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Marvin Willard Jr: Amongst ourselves. So now, to actually get some answers that we needed.

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Marvin Willard Jr: But I'm kind of curious, and what bothers me, is

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Marvin Willard Jr: Are two of these biggest cuts that they're proposing

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Marvin Willard Jr: Next to a river, next to a lake.

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Marvin Willard Jr: Or am I misunderstanding?

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Do you want to respond to that?

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: I guess,

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Maybe you could provide Marvin, maybe you could provide a little bit more specifics to the areas you're talking about.

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Marvin Willard Jr: on the other side of the mountain of Chilcat Lake, and on the hillside of Chilkut.

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Marvin Willard Jr: lake.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: There is no proposal for harvest around Chuku Lake.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Currently, the management plan doesn't allow for timber harvest in there.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: The area of the Chilcat Ridge has been in our 5-year forest management schedule, proposing

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Potential harvest in those areas.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Those lands are classified forestry.

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Marvin Willard Jr: Okay, so so that that brings me to my question of

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Marvin Willard Jr: How is this timber going to be extracted from there?

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: We don't have any plans to extract it at the moment. It's a proposal for operating in that area.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: It's only gone through the initial scoping process that we have under our 5-year forest management schedule to gather information.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: To move forward with Our further decision documents, which will

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Be more definitive in terms of what activity may be proposed there.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: But without A driver, such as market interest.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: You know, those proposals won't be developed.

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Marvin Willard Jr: But most likely, if they're trying to put a road, then it's gonna turn into a tower and choke.

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Marvin Willard Jr: Kind of system to drag it through the woods, which was going to destroy the land.

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Marvin Willard Jr: And every single spruce you cut down is

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Marvin Willard Jr: You're taking away that that tree

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Marvin Willard Jr: Absorbs 1 to 200 gallons of water a day.

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Marvin Willard Jr: That stump will still continue to absorb water.

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Marvin Willard Jr: But not phosphate.



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Marvin Willard Jr: So, in any case, if you're gonna if you're going to destroy land next to a river.

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Marvin Willard Jr: Eventually, that land has become a snow slide a slide

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Marvin Willard Jr: Which is then gonna destroy the river.

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Marvin Willard Jr: It's just a thought to, keep in mind. Thank you.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Thanks, Marvin.

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Mark Sogge: Hey, Nicholas, you had, your hand up?

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nicholasszatkowski: Yeah, thank you. I first off, I just want to read,

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nicholasszatkowski: the actual wording of the definition of multiple use in Alaska Statute 41, which is what governs,

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nicholasszatkowski: forestry operations in Alaska.

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nicholasszatkowski: So, it says specifically, the management of all the various resources of forest land so that they are used in the combination that will best meet the needs of the citizens of the state.

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nicholasszatkowski: Making the most judicious use of the land for some or all of these resources or related values, benefits, and services over areas large enough to provide sufficient latitude for periodic adjustments in use

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nicholasszatkowski: To conform to changing needs and conditions.

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nicholasszatkowski: So,

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nicholasszatkowski: It seems to me very clearly that the definition of multiple use makes it plain that that is not synonymous with logging.

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nicholasszatkowski: It does not mean that you have to have

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nicholasszatkowski: timber management on every section of the forest in order to qualify as multiple use. In fact, it actually seems to be the exact opposite of that. And I think, actually, you're if

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nicholasszatkowski: measurement plan.

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nicholasszatkowski: To insist that actual timber harvest is necessary on every section of the forest.

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nicholasszatkowski: that would actually be in contravention of the law, and you're setting yourself up for a really, really bad situation. It would create a lot of contention in this community. It's very clear that the needs and conditions in this valley

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nicholasszatkowski: The related values, the benefits, and the services that the forest provides here, in this valley, to people here.

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timmcdonough: It's not specifically from.

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nicholasszatkowski: Timber harvest, especially not from large-scale, old-growth logging or clear-cut harvesting.

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nicholasszatkowski: And so I think it's it's a it's severely a misdirection, and I don't understand

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nicholasszatkowski: How you can use the term the wording of multiple use to justify why you would want to have timber management as an option on every section of the forest, when clearly that's not what this statute says.

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Mark Sogge: Jeremy, you wish to respond?

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: No, I I I disagree, Nicholas. I think it's it clearly states that

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: That we have some areas where multiple use is occurring, and we have some areas that it's not occurring.

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nicholasszatkowski: But why do you think that just because timber harvest isn't occurring on one specific area, that that doesn't I mean, that's not

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Because it excludes because it excludes our ability to do that. That's that's why. And I get I get that you don't agree, and I appreciate that.

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nicholasszatkowski: Obviously, we have a strong disagreement there, and it doesn't look like we're going to make much headway.

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nicholasszatkowski: I'll, I'll, hold for now.

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Mark Sogge: Okay, thanks. Thanks, Nicholas.

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Mark Sogge: We have Kimberly, do you want to speak?

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Kimberley: Hi, thank you. This is Kimberly Strong out in Cluck One. I'm speaking on my on my own behalf. I'm not speaking as representative of the tribe out in Cluck One. I just I guess my thought, listening to the conversation tonight, is

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Kimberley: I don't know why, if the I feel like hearing the conversation that back

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Kimberley: when this first management plan this first management plan was put into place, it was based on science. Now we're basing it on

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Kimberley: the whim of political movement in the state of Alaska and across the nation. And and that

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Kimberley: that worries me on the speed that one that that we are moving with these changes, that I feel like our ecosystems,

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Kimberley: Have no economic value until it is logged.

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Kimberley: or extracted from this earth, and that

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Kimberley: For me, just feels like a real cut

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Kimberley: to us as human beings, do we have to have the supremacy of a human, being to say nothing is of value other than what we seek to be of value? And that

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Kimberley: It's interesting that for thousands and thousands of years, the systems have grown on their own without a management system in place.

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Kimberley: What would happen if we let nature take over its job?

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Kimberley: I think if we if we

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Kimberley: Could stop looking through the lens of human supremacy over nature.

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Kimberley: And start looking at How we can live with nature.

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Kimberley: How can we sustain the salmon systems that we have in place?

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Kimberley: when You folks were talking. You talked about

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Kimberley: Preserving and putting buffer zones in to protect these areas.

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Kimberley: But in reality, once you cut down, and cut down to such a small buffer zone, what science are you looking at to show that

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Kimberley: It is really protecting those streams, those eagle nests, those, the habitat of the area that nature's ecosystem has to provide for the sustainability of this earth.

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Kimberley: I don't I I guess I'm gonna say I appreciated Mr. Palmieri's management of our forestry system.

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Kimberley: He has kept it at a smaller, local scale.

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Kimberley: But for some reason, these days, it looks like we're looking at large-scale production, large-scale extraction.

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Kimberley: This is not management, this is not economic growth, this is done For outside interests.

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Kimberley: If this larger scale happens, it is not for the local economy.

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Kimberley: If we're looking for sustainability in our communities, we've got to stop this boom and bust work that the state

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Kimberley: is doing. And so, as, you know, political positions come and go.

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Kimberley: And the swings happen, let's go back as and

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Kimberley: And realize that we can't continue

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Kimberley: with this type of system, as us as human supremacy over nature. It's just not gonna work. I do like management plans that you've had in place. I do not like the idea of opening the whole area up.

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Kimberley: for whatever

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Kimberley: plan a political component will have, an outside political component can have on this valley. I just don't believe that that's in the best interest of the people who call this home.

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Kimberley: Gonna sheesh.

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Mark Sogge: Thank you.

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Kimberley: Good luck.

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Mark Sogge: Thank you very much, Kimberly.

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Mark Sogge: Jeremy, do you want to respond at all, or

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: I I mean, I I don't have any Human supremacy, like.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: position on this, I, you know, I

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: I'm a forester by training, and I told you this before, Kimberly, I think, in the in the meeting with,

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: with Chilkat Indian Village that, you know, we myself and all the foresters that work in the division, we do care deeply about forests. It's why we get into this work, and so

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: where Having the option to do a treatment on the ground to address some kind of an issue

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: really does have, some beneficial uses, and we're not I've heard a couple of times large-scale, industrial-scale logging.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: And there's, you know.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: there's no there's no market for that that kind of thing in in the Chilcat Valley, currently.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: So we're not proposing that. I would, I would anticipate that management looks a lot like it does now, it's just that right now, we don't have any ability to do

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Any kind of a treatment in these other areas in habitat or recreation areas, even if there's an issue that we're trying to address, such as a wildlife habitat issue, or a forest health issue, or some kind of a fire mitigation issue.

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Mark Sogge: So, huh, okay, I didn't understand,

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Mark Sogge: That in some ways, what you're proposing, then, is to one of the justifications, not just multiple use, but you want to have the right to go in and what you would consider some sort of necessary habitat.

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Mark Sogge: assistance, really, in recreation areas or fish habitat zones, or wild fish and wildlife habitat zones.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: These are all These are all hypothetical scenarios, but yes.

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Mark Sogge: Yeah.

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Mark Sogge: Oh, okay. Nicholas, your hand is still up, but you spoke already. I think we'll go with Kip.

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Kip: Yeah, the first thing I want to mention, after the statement you just made, Jeremy.

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Kip: Why don't you put, why does the language reflect that?



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Kip: If we need to do a treatment.

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Kip: if Fish and Game calls you.

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Kip: Someone else, there's an issue with a tree that's endangering someone's life in a recreational area.

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Kip: The simplest way to mitigate All of what's going on here, and how we're all feeling.

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Kip: Is we're throwing every one of these classified areas

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Kip: open for grabs, and we have no idea. You may not feel like it's something you want to do, you have no plan to do it.

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Kip: But the political will of someone who follows you, or this administration, or even later in this administration, may feel differently.

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Kip: So why don't we do this? Why don't we, change the language.

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Kip: To reflect that if there's a wildlife treatment needed.

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Kip: Or, if there's a fire issue, And,

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Kip: I scribbled these down, and I wish I could read this, the second one you mentioned.

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Kip: But there were 3 of them.

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Kip: If those are the primary issues here, to give you some latitude, when needed.

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Kip: Why don't we let's just change the language. Add add those treatments, so whatever those 3 or 4 are that you have there.

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Kip: Let's put those in my yeah.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Because my interest is in flexibility, and maximizing flexibility for options for land managers, current land managers, and future land managers.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Those there may be other things other than those three things that pop up. I I get I am completely understanding that there's a lack of of trust, and that that,

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: folks believe that this is a political whim. I haven't I have enough faith in the profession of forestry to know that decisions that are made on the ground have to do with the best intent of the forest, and that's so I would like to maintain flexibility for future foresters that have to make those decisions.

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Kip: Appreciate some of that. Best intent for the force would be to leave it alone.

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Kip: In my view.

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Kip: I don't I guess, I can't I can't buy that.

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Kip: back to the issue I was intending to comment upon. I mentioned it earlier and asked the question, but we never really got there. It seemed like,

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Kip: Right now, we have a number of areas in habitat, existing in habitat, areas existing as recreational areas, and areas

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Kip: Existing for cuts.

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Kip: So, let's take,

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Kip: Chilcat Ridge, for instance. It's in the 5-year plan. It's existing in the plan, so you may say, well, it's already existing, but so are the so are the habitat areas. So are the recreational areas.

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Kip: What avenue is there?

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Kip: Once again, For us, or someone else.

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Kip: To approach forestry and say they'd like to convert.

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Kip: Since it's multiple use, let's make Chill Cat Ridge habitat.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: I think that's a

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Kip: Go ahead.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: No, I think that's if that's a comment that you want to make as an AC, then you should make that comment.

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Kip: How does that, what do you where do you see that comment going?

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: I mean, I I can't say right here, I don't I don't know. But I think if if you wanted to make that comment as EAC, that that is a legitimate comment to make.

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Mark Sogge: We did make that comment in a letter already.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Okay.

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Mark Sogge: Anything else, Kip?

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Kip: Thank you. Thanks, Jeremy.

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Mark Sogge: Okay, Jeremy, I didn't keep track of the time. Tim's the last one. You said 20 minutes, and I believe I've spaced out, even noticing what time it was, but can we let Tim talk?

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Yeah, for sure.

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timmcdonough: I just had one question, Jeremy. A second ago, you were talking about, I think it was a Chilcat Ridge or something, or maybe some other place, and you said, it's not gonna happen right now, there's no market. Do you remember saying this a little bit ago?

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: What I I wasn't talking about a specific area, I was talking about large-scale logging, or what I've heard tonight a couple times, large-scale logging and industrial-scale logging.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: And you may have a different definition than I do on what that means, but I don't see a market in the Hanes for

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Large-scale or industrial-scale logging right now.

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timmcdonough: Okay, and so that's what worries me. You're absolutely right, I mean, glad to hear there's no market right now, but obviously that can change, right?

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: You can.

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timmcdonough: It does. Everything along that goes with it changes, too. And so, again, that is my concern. Your headset is, hey, don't worry, this is the way I perceive it. Don't worry, there's no large-scale argument coming, because there's no market. Just, you know, it's okay.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: I didn't say I'm not saying that. I'm not saying it's okay, or don't worry, or any of that. I'm just saying that there currently there is no market for it, so I would imagine

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: That the management would look very similar to what it does right now.

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timmcdonough: Until they're comfortable.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: You're absolutely right. You're absolutely right. Markets can change.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: And and they do. And,

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: You know, the management of the state forest, it's still there's still those classif those land classifications, and even if markets change.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: The focus of the management would be on those, those areas that are classified for forestry.

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timmcDonough: Thank you.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: Alright, Mark.

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Mark Sogge: Yeah, we should let you go, I guess, and thanks very much for the dialogue. It was something that we've been after, and I appreciate your coming and speaking as well, you and the other members of your team. We appreciate that greatly.

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Mark Sogge: So we can we can let you go. The question we have to, and maybe Geneva can help us, or maybe the the board should decide, and we've we just had a nice conversation with and learned a lot. I think. Do we want to go through the process with,

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Mark Sogge: Geneva, or would that be, in fact, a repetitive process, perhaps, not providing, any more valuable information? Go ahead.

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Jeremy Douse - AK DFFP: I'm gonna go. I appreciate everybody's time. Thanks.

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Ryan Cook: Thank you, Jeremy.

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Mark Sogge: Thank you very much.

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Mark Sogge: So anyway, you know, we could we could I could entertain a motion to to put that off, or to not do it, or or,

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Mark Sogge: Or just the, you know, how do we want to how do we want to proceed? I guess that's the question. Geneva's here still,

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Mark Sogge: What do we want to do as the, as the, as the naysay?

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Alaina Birkel: Nobody.

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Mark Sogge: Yeah, Tim.

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timmcdonough: I would make a motion that we don't go through the process that Geneva kindly sent out.

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timmcdonough: and showed us what it was gonna be. I

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timmcdonough: I went through that with and when I sat at the Ball Legal Preserve as the rep, and

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timmcdonough: I guess she got good information. But I feel like we have expressed

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timmcdonough: A lot of things she's after.

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timmcdonough: in, in leading us through that process. And so my motion would be that we didn't do that right now.

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Mark Sogge: Here, a second.

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Kathleen Menke: I second it.

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Mark Sogge: Seconded by Kathleen, was that you?

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Mark Sogge: Yeah.

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Mark Sogge: Okay, Tim, you made the motion. You have to write it down, too, so, we see I see a bunch of thumbs up, and, do we want to

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Mark Sogge: We have a motion on the floor. Do we want to discuss it, or do we want to just move ahead and vote for it?

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Mark Sogge: Any discussion?

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Alaina Birkel: Can we repeat the motion, please?

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Mark Sogge: The motion was, don't go through the presentation and gathering of information from Geneva at this time.

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Alaina Birkel: My discussion on the motion is, to Geneva, if that's okay. I'm wondering if you would be willing to

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Alaina Birkel: Come back at a different date.

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timmcdonough: That's a hard one, I bet.

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Geneva Preston - DFFP: I don't know that I'm available to come back at a different date, but I would invite folks to share their responses

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Geneva Preston - DFFP: To the questions in the discussion in writing.

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Geneva Preston - DFFP: Or if it's some I've heard some committee members share that they didn't perceive it to be a particularly valuable way to share information, so perhaps individually, if folks are interested, they can reach out to me, but I don't think I'll

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Geneva Preston - DFFP: I don't think I'll be available to

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Geneva Preston - DFFP: Schedule an additional meeting to do that.

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Mark Sogge: And Geneva, we still have time to, to get together and to submit written comments then to, that will have that will influence what's happening with the with the policy, or the plan discussion? Is that true?

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Geneva Preston - DFFP: That's correct. If the committee's interested in submitting another letter or comments in that way, then that's still an option.

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Mark Sogge: Okay Nicholas, you had a discussion point?

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nicholasszatkowski: I appreciate, Geneva and Mr. Douse being here, and

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nicholasszatkowski: It does look to me like that the discussion Procedure that's, you know.

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nicholasszatkowski: proposed, you know, that Geneva's presentation would involve.

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nicholasszatkowski: that does seem like it could be a valuable process, to me, and I would I would be interested in in

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nicholasszatkowski: doing that.

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nicholasszatkowski: But it would be most valuable if it were open-ended in it, and it actually seemed like it was having some, you know, it would lead somewhere.

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nicholasszatkowski: And it doesn't seem like that process, as it's written out, at least unless I'm missing something, it doesn't look like it's actually addressing

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nicholasszatkowski: The thing that's most concerning, which is

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nicholasszatkowski: opening all areas on the Haynes State Forest to timber management.

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nicholasszatkowski: And so

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Mark Sogge: I think yeah, I think there's a question in there that I don't have in front of me, the last one, about, how do we see the this opening all the way up? How how could we influence the policy? How would that I better shut up. I don't remember exactly what

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nicholasszatkowski: Anyway, I don't I don't need to keep talking either, but thanks for thanks for letting me,

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nicholasszatkowski: give my thoughts, but yeah, that's that's all I wanted to say. Maybe it's not a this isn't the right time, perhaps, right now, but but I I do see value in having a discussion. I just would like it I'd like to feel that

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nicholasszatkowski: Our thoughts and concerns are actually being,

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nicholasszatkowski: taken seriously, and have some some effect on on the management decisions, that's all, you know, that's all.

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Mark Sogge: All right, well, we have been going for an hour and 45 minutes, and I don't know, Geneva, are you even available to do it today?

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Geneva Preston - DFFP: Not right now. No, I in my experience, that exercise takes at least 90 minutes, and depending on the group size, often more. That's not something I can do tonight.

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Mark Sogge: Okay, well then, I guess then that answers the question. We have a motion on the floor to not do it anyway, and we

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Mark Sogge: Well, how does this work, Tim? Do we have to vote on it, or can we just withdraw the motion since it's not really a possibility? What

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timmcDonough: I guess it'd be easiest to withdraw the motion, I don't know, I'd go withdraw if the second would withdraw it, too.

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timmcDonough: Which would be Kathleen, I guess.

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Kathleen Menke: Sure, maybe we can consider, more written correspondence, and thank you for being here, Geneva.

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Mark Sogge: Yeah.

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Geneva Preston - DFFP: Thanks, everybody, for working with us to coordinate this meeting. I know

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Geneva Preston - DFFP: you all have been flexible with the division also to make time to meet with us, so I appreciate that.

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Mark Sogge: Okay, well, thanks, Geneva. I don't know if you, need to stick around anymore, or we can let you go.

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Mark Sogge: I guess the

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Mark Sogge: We will talk amongst ourselves and decide whether or not we want to submit more comments, and I think we probably will. I have a bunch written down for myself already, and maybe we'll have another meeting

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Mark Sogge: To to do we have do we how much what's our time limit like? When do we have a week, or two weeks, or, how long do we have?

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Geneva Preston - DFFP: Two weeks at the barest minimum. When we have a sense of our

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Geneva Preston - DFFP: Basically, like, we'll be accepting scoping comments until we announce the public review period through public notice, and so until you receive information from the division or from the online public notice system, then consider scoping off, like, your

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Geneva Preston - DFFP: Submission of scoping comments is still an option.

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Geneva Preston - DFFP: Does that make sense?

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Mark Sogge: Yeah, sort of.

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Mark Sogge: Yeah, we have we have a couple of weeks, I understand, so

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Mark Sogge: I guess that's the main thing, and you'll you yeah, well, I'll I I think I understand what you said. Anybody else?

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Geneva Preston - DFFP: We'll send out an announcement when we know the date that

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Geneva Preston - DFFP: Is our end date for scoping comments.

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Mark Sogge: Okay.

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Geneva Preston - DFFP: And it it's I would be very, very surprised if that happened within the next two weeks, the end of the scoping period. I got it.

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Mark Sogge: very much.

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Geneva Preston - DFFP: Yeah. Okay. Well, thanks, everyone. I am going to sign off for the evening.

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Mark Sogge: Okay, Geneva, I have just one question before you take off. You know, you heard a lot today from, from a lot of different voices on this, this AC, and I just wonder

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Mark Sogge: Were you taking notes? Was this being recorded? How how does that how do everything that was said today, make its way through the scope into the scoping process?

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Geneva Preston - DFFP: Boop!

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Geneva Preston - DFFP: into this meeting, I the computer informed me that it is being recorded, and so I am thinking I would request it from the AC, a cop access to the recording.

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Mark Sogge: I think that's, Annie Bartholomew has that. It's, with the board, fisheries board.

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Mark Sogge: She has, she has.

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Geneva Preston - DFFP: Okay.

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Mark Sogge: reporting.

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Mark Sogge: We it's not we can get it, I think, but Tim Tim, is that correct?

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timmcDonough: Yeah, I could, you know, we can shoot Annie a message and ask her to send it on to you, to Geneva, and if you don't get it, just let us know, and we'll push some more.

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Mark Sogge: Yeah, well, we can take care of that.

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Geneva Preston - DFFP: Fantastic.

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Mark Sogge: Yeah.

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Mark Sogge: Okay, great.

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Geneva Preston - DFFP: Thank you, I would appreciate that.

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Mark Sogge: Alright, thank you very much for sitting through all this.

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Geneva Preston - DFFP: Thanks, everyone. Good night.

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Ryan Cook: Thank you.

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Kip: Good night, thank you.

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Mark Sogge: Oh, what next, huh?

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01:56:36.810 --> 01:56:38.759

Ryan Cook: Go Bears, they're up by 30.

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Kip: Oh, really?

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Mark Sogge: Yeah, you've been watching this whole time, Ryan. We know you haven't been listening.

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Ryan Cook: Listening, I've been listening on the radio.

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timmcdonough: What, 30?

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Ryan Cook: Yeah, they're up by 30.

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Kip: And they're playing Point Hope?

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Ryan Cook: That's remarkable.

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Craig Loomis: No, it was a started with a T, but yeah, somewhere up by there.

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Kip: That's the actual name at the village, yeah.

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Craig Loomis: They're playing, the Harpooners or something.

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Ryan Cook: Harbooners, yeah.

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Craig Loomis: Is that our barrel, Ryan?

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Craig Loomis: Or You ended up?

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Kip: Oh.

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Ryan Cook: Point hook.

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Craig Loomis: Own Hope, okay.

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Mark Sogge: What, what.

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Kip: How far into the game are they?

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Mark Sogge: It's

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Craig Loomis: Almost over.

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Ryan Cook: Almost over, like, 30 seconds.

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Mark Sogge: There's a basketball cat.



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Mark Sogge: Kathleen has her hand up, we gotta pay attention.

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Kathleen Menke: That's true.

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Mark Sogge: Hey, Kathleen.

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Kathleen Menke: That's okay, I'm I'm listening to the game.

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Kathleen Menke: So, yeah,

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Kathleen Menke: It seems to work best when we do written comments so that we designate somebody to draft them.

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Kathleen Menke: And then schedule a follow-up meeting to approve them, and maybe we can

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Kathleen Menke: do that, and Mark, since you've already started taking notes, maybe you could be the designee, and anybody else that wants to work with you on that?

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Kathleen Menke: Also, do we have to schedule a meeting for a The fisheries proposals?

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Mark Sogge: Too late, we missed it.

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Kathleen Menke: Did we oh, we totally missed it.

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Mark Sogge: Yeah, yeah, yeah, Tim pointed out that to me the other day. I had totally gone out of my

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Mark Sogge: realm of, you know, thought. I didn't even think about it, and I don't think Adam did either.

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Kathleen Menke: And then, I just noticed in today's paper.

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Kathleen Menke: The DOT wants to spray a bunch of Roundup up our highways in the Chilcat Valley, and

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Kathleen Menke: Could we put that on the agenda for the next meeting, too?

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Mark Sogge: as possible.

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Mark Sogge: Yeah, I think the federal lodges changed so that they can use that all over the place.

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Kathleen Menke: Yeah, so we maybe need to weigh in.

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Craig Loomis: Yeah, isn't that stuff

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Craig Loomis: The people that were making that stuff, or something in a big lawsuit, billions of dollars for killing people with that stuff?

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Kathleen Menke: Well, it's definitely not good for the bees and the habitat and the fish and the wildlife, so

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Craig Loomis: I don't think it's any good for humans.

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Kathleen Menke: No.

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Mark Sogge: Yeah, okay, well, we had, we had one more, thing on the, agenda, and that was, Nicholas Put that on there, right? The ecosystem-based management. Do you, you sent out some information, Nicholas, about that. Do you want to discuss that, or you want to put it off for a further, meeting?

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nicholasszatkowski: I'm just unmuting myself here,

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nicholasszatkowski: I hope it's okay to talk.

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nicholasszatkowski: Yeah, I, you know, I think it seems like we've been on this meeting already for a while, so if it's okay with everybody, I'd be inclined to

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nicholasszatkowski: Reconvene at another meeting. Hopefully not too far in the future, because it does seem like there's some important stuff going on.

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nicholasszatkowski: But I'd be that would be my inclination.

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Mark Sogge: I don't know the I mean, that's fine with me. I don't know if anybody else has any objection to that. I think we can change the agenda at this point.

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Kathleen Menke: I'd be happy to hear what you had to say. Nicholas might weigh into our written comments.

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nicholasszatkowski: That's what I was gonna say. We can talk about it some, if people want to,

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nicholasszatkowski: I guess I could just maybe I'll just very, very briefly just say that the basic concept of that is

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nicholasszatkowski: The basic notion of ecosystem-based management is

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nicholasszatkowski: looking at the whole forest landscape in whatever area, so in our case, the entire Chilcat Valley, and, you know, honestly.

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nicholasszatkowski: To do it

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nicholasszatkowski: fairly, you even want to look at what that means regionally. Like, what's the role of the Chilcat Valley in relation to other adjoining areas, you know? You know, in relation to the Tashansini and Alsec and Glacier Bay, because

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nicholasszatkowski: You know, that's part of part of that has some effect on the significance of the Chilcat Valley and the habitat that's here. But anyway, the basic concept is looking at the whole valley, the whole forest landscape.

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nicholasszatkowski: And approaching it in a way that maintains all those values, Whether it's for

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nicholasszatkowski: Water, for fish habitat, for other things.

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nicholasszatkowski: And

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nicholasszatkowski: even when you plan logging sales, it doesn't mean you don't do logging, that's not the point at all. It's just that when and where you do logging, it's done with consideration of how that affects the whole the whole forest.

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nicholasszatkowski: And then there's lots of, you know, there's been work a lot of this is, you know, there's people have have

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nicholasszatkowski: go back 30, 40 years, even specific to Southeast Alaska, that we can refer to. It's not like we have to reinvent all this stuff, it's there's a lot of information already out there we can we can refer to.

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nicholasszatkowski: Yeah, I'd prefer to, to maybe

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nicholasszatkowski: To have another meeting and get into it more then.

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Mark Sogge: Okay, if it's.

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Kathleen Menke: It's relevant to our comments, our written comments, maybe we should try and get those in as soon as possible.

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Kathleen Menke: Within the week, so the Porter Service has a little more time to consider them.

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Mark Sogge: Yeah, we have, if we're gonna have another meeting to, look at this, we have to give, 7 days public notice to

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Mark Sogge: To set up a meeting, so today's the 12th, we'd have to, you know, it'd have to be no earlier than a week from today. Oh, that would be not enough time, probably. It'd probably have to be the 20th, which is Friday, so

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Mark Sogge: We could move it forward to and still be within the two-week range for Geneva to, like, Monday the 23rd or so.

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Mark Sogge: That would give me time to listen to all the comments again and try and make,

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Mark Sogge: you know, try and summarize them, or add some more. And also,

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Mark Sogge: perhaps circulate the letter if I write it, and hopefully where I am, it's gonna rain like hell for the next week, so I have a good time, to be inside. So I'm happy to work on writing something.

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Mark Sogge: So, do we want to go forward to try and set the sediment?

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nicholasszatkowski: Minimum, right? Not 2 weeks maximum.

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Mark Sogge: Yeah, she said minimum, so yeah, we, we could, we can,

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Mark Sogge: Should we try and decide the meeting now, meeting date now, or try and do it through via email with some alternatives?

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timmcDonough: Bob, we ought to try to do it now.

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Mark Sogge: Okay.

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timmcDonough: It doesn't happen, it doesn't happen, it's just, you know, everybody kind of beat up, and

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timmcDonough: it's hard to it's nice to put it off, you know?

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Kathleen Menke: 23rd sounds good.

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Mark Sogge: You want to shoot for the 23rd? That, that works for me.

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Ryan Cook: Me and Teresa will be traveling on the 23rd.

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Mark Sogge: When does that period over?

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Ryan Cook: Oh Yep.

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Ryan Cook: We'll be back in town on the 26th, but we can probably do something. I have surgery on the 25th.

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Ryan Cook: I'm having carpal tunnel surgery done on my right wrist.

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Mark Sogge: Wow.

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Ryan Cook: And so We leave on the 23rd and then back to town on the 26th.

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Mark Sogge: How about the 26, you guys? Is that, you know, we could to let Ryan and Teresa have a go at it?

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timmcdonough: 26th.

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Kathleen Menke: 26 is fine.

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Mark Sogge: 26 works for me still. I'm not traveling, I'm still here.

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Kip: That is me.

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02:04:51.220 --> 02:04:52.270

timmcdonough: Zoom, probably.

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Kip: Maybe.

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Craig Loomis: Fine with me.

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Mark Sogge: Any objections?

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Mark Sogge: I'll send it,

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Mark Sogge: hearing none, I'll send an email out to everyone and propose it for that date, and, you know, because there's people that aren't here that, like Derek and Adam and everybody else, and we'll see if they have any problem with that. So, we'll give that a shot, okay?

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Sally Boisvert: Sorry to put in, I can't do the 26th. I'm

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Mark Sogge: Oh.

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Sally Boisvert: Traveling up to Fairbanks that day.

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Mark Sogge: Okay.

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Mark Sogge: Maybe? Yeah.

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timmcdonough: Put it out, and see how many positive responses you get.

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timmcdonough: And if you get a negative one, like from Rafe not being able to have them

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timmcdonough: Include the day that would work for him.

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Mark Sogge: Okay, alright, I'll do that. So, we've had a we had this policy never to meet on Friday nights. Is that because people like to go out to dinner in the snow and stuff on Friday nights, or or is that a possibility?

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Ryan Cook: As long as it's not that they're cheap.

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timmcdonough: If somebody doesn't like Friday night, they should speak up right now and explain it to us.

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Ryan Cook: Long as it's just not this next one, it's Friday the 13th.

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Mark Sogge: All right, all right, well, I'll do that. I'll give us some alternatives and try and work out something that works for us, and we'd like to give as many people as possible, to show up.

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Kathleen Menke: the calendar and the it's not a conflict with, planning and zoning that usually meets on Thursdays, but they are meeting on the 19th, so the 26th works.

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nicholasszatkowski: For me personally, it is spring break for school, and I would prefer maybe going for the next week after that, if that's possible.

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Mark Sogge: Yeah, that's possible. I'm traveling on the 31st, but yeah, that's possible.

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Mark Sogge: I think I'm traveling on the 31st.

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Kip: I'm not available the 31st.

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Mark Sogge: Okay, you know what, I'll do this we'll do this via email, okay? And we'll do a bunch of I'll write up a bunch of alternatives, and

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Mark Sogge: And, and we'll create some sort of a

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Mark Sogge: Some, possibility where the best one works, a little matrix.

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Kathleen Menke: Probably need this sooner better to get to forestry and to DOT, so

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Kip: About April April 1st. Does that work for anybody?

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Kip: Wednesday?

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Kip: 6 o'clock?

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Kathleen Menke: No, because Elena and .

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Kip: Okay.

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Kathleen Menke: They're doing an Armchtair Traveler series?

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Kip: Okay, thanks.

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Mark Sogge: Okay, I'll also write to, to,

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Mark Sogge: Geneva, and ask her for sure that they're gonna make sure that we any date that I propose is not too late for it to be that would be that would be silly. So if we if we have to push it a little bit up, because of what her response is, then then, I'll let you know about that.

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Mark Sogge: Alright.

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timmcDonough: And the agenda's gonna include the DOT Spray and Roundup, and you've I'm wondering what people are thinking. Are we gonna try to come up with a final version of what we want to tell?

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timmcDonough: the Department of Forestry. Is that what the agenda would be? To get done?

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Kathleen Menke: Yes, I think that would be good.

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Mark Sogge: Yeah, it's our, like, our last chance to put in comments.

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Mark Sogge: My list of things was just a continuation of areas, you know, where I don't think they ought to log, basically, and the reasons why.

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Mark Sogge: But then there's all the statements that were made today that can be summarized and made sense of as well, that we can put in. Maybe I'll ask Derek, he's so good at putting everything together, and he's been a layabout for a while, missing meetings, so maybe I'll ask him to help.

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Mark Sogge: With that.

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timmcdonough: Okay.

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Mark Sogge: And we'll and, you know, I guess we can include also  
Nicholas as the, more language on ecosystem

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Mark Sogge: Management, if, if,

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02:09:18.860 --> 02:09:23.350  
Mark Sogge: Potentially. Is that is that what you want to do,  
Nicholas? Would that be good to talk some more? Yeah, okay.

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02:09:23.720 --> 02:09:24.610  
Mark Sogge: Alright.

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02:09:26.570 --> 02:09:34.409  
Kathleen Menke: Okay. Thanks, everybody. That was a really  
productive meeting, I thought. There's it was good to have,

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Kathleen Menke: someone from Jesse Keel's office listening in, and,  
DNR was listening in, and everybody's input, I thought, was really  
useful, so thank you, Mark, for pulling it all together, and

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02:09:50.530 --> 02:09:51.540  
Kathleen Menke: carrying it.

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02:09:52.330 --> 02:09:53.180  
Kathleen Menke: Tim?

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Kathleen Menke: Yeah, everybody.

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Mark Sogge: Okay. Thank you, thank you. Well then, we're we are  
officially returned, I guess.

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02:10:00.430 --> 02:10:01.680  
Ryan Cook: Motion to adjourn.

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Mark Sogge: to adjourn, right?

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nicholasszatkowski: I second that motion.

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02:10:08.150 --> 02:10:10.570  
Mark Sogge: Two hours. Good deal, you guys.

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Kip: Thank you, guys.

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02:10:13.590 --> 02:10:15.189  
Craig Loomis: Thanks, everybody!

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02:10:15.190 --> 02:10:16.400  
nicholasszatkowski: Thank you, everybody.

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02:10:16.710 --> 02:10:17.290  
Kip: share.

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02:10:17.290 --> 02:10:18.080  
Ryan Cook: Thanks.

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02:10:18.750 --> 02:10:19.949  
timmcdonough: Big night, Dick.

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Kip: Mark, you still there?

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02:10:25.870 --> 02:10:27.069  
Mark Sogge: I'm still here.

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Kip: Yeah, okay.

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Kip: So,

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Kip: One thing I'm wondering about adding, do you think this would be any value? If I can talk with them, I might talk to Jeremy again and try to identify across the state forests what

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Kip: types of treatments. It was always, you know, he's constantly mentioning these little bits of, oh, if this fish and game needs, or wildlife needs something, we'll come in and help, or if a tree's gonna fall on a camper.

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Kip: It just it felt in

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Kip: disingenuous to me, but I understand those are things they may want to do. So

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Kip: I think I I'm gonna try to contact them and get a list force-wide of all those things.

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Kip: And ask them to, just so you know, heads up, to put it in the language to Specifically.

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Kip: State those in the language, that this is what it's about, and exclude definitely exclude clear-cutting.

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Kip: As an option.

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Kip: And, you know, they still could do selective cutting and stuff, but

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Kip: I don't think they would exclude selective, maybe not even clear-cutting.

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Mark Sogge: clear cutting of a they seem to want to always have the clear cutting be determined by the size of the parcel, right? So if

you can say, well, you can't clear-cut an area more than 5 acres or something like that, that would address, or

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Kip: Okay.

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Mark Sogge: comes forward.

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Kip: Oh, that's yeah, okay.

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Kip: Yeah, so I don't know what a reasonable volume would be.

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Mark Sogge: I have no idea either.

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Kip: based on the trees on the 5 acres, you know. It could be volume-wise rather than acreage or whatever, how they calculate that.

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Mark Sogge: Yeah.

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Kip: I don't know if that'd be any value if they'd Even consider it.

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Kip: I guess they're looking for Suggestions.

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Mark Sogge: Okay, yeah.

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Mark Sogge: We have put something similar to that, I think, in some of our other letters, right? About about no well, we said no large timber harvests or something like that.

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Kip: Were those yeah, did you identify

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Mark Sogge: No.

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Mark Sogge: No, not in the previous letter. We didn't identify size or anything like that, it was just a general statement of what we're in favor versus what we're opposed to.

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Kip: So maybe that's a moot point to list everything that they can do. It'd just be better to say.

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Kip: No cuts, no clear cuts over a certain volume or acreage.

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Kip: That would that would suffice, I guess.

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nicholasszatkowski: No, you know, personally, I think it would be it would make sense to just simply say, no clear cuts.

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Kip: Yep.

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nicholasszatkowski: I don't think there's any justification for them advocating for clear cuts of any size, period.

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Kip: Yeah, I'm with you. As I sent you that, you know, Robert Deal stuff and everything, it makes absolutely no sense.

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Kip: Yeah.

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nicholasszatkowski: We don't have to bend in that direction, right? They're not bending in any at any at any rate in our direction.

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Kip: Well, here's the thing. If Rossman went to him and said, I've got this acreage.

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Kip: And I want to clear-cut it. And unless we have a minimum, Or a maximum.

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Kip: I I bet it's totally untenable. I just I imagine they just say, no, we may have, you know, someone wants to make a chair a couple tables, or, you know, and they want to clear-cut this small lot.

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Kip: But doubt.

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nicholasszatkowski: They don't need to, that's the thing. Even there, they don't need to. So, here's just one example for reference. So, immediately adjacent to my

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nicholasszatkowski: property that I own.

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nicholasszatkowski: My property abuts State Forest, so right on the border of my property, They, they did a 10-acre

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nicholasszatkowski: logging sale.

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nicholasszatkowski: Almost entirely clear-cut.

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nicholasszatkowski: Done by Rossman and his employees at that time.

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nicholasszatkowski: And,

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nicholasszatkowski: So it's just under 10 acres, that's because that's how much they can do without sending out, you know, that's that if you keep it under 10 acres, that counts as a small scale.

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Kip: You don't.

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nicholasszatkowski: They don't have to go through all the procedures they have to do for actually

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nicholasszatkowski: offering a full-on timber sale. So it was just keep it at, like, 9.9 acres, and it was mostly all clear-cut with little strips of trees around the perimeter or whatever.

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nicholasszatkowski: And then, right after that, the adjacent 10 acres were done.

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nicholasszatkowski: But during those first 10 acres.

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nicholasszatkowski: I went out and talked to Scott, and I also talked to Greg, who was, at a different point in time, walking through there, planning out, you know, the next the next 10 acres.

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nicholasszatkowski: And talked about what they were doing.

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nicholasszatkowski: and talked about the retention of older trees, and how the loss of old trees in that landscape, because I I absolutely agree that it's possible to log selectively.

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nicholasszatkowski: And if you retain some older trees, you retain some aspects of the forest structure, it'll regrow back into a

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nicholasszatkowski: A forest that has some old growth characteristics, and it's much better for overall forest health, right?

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Kip: app.

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nicholasszatkowski: And they were saying, and they're saying, we don't even like those old hemlocks, you know, they're just full of rot, and they're just nothing, they're just no good. I said, why don't you just leave them standing? Because they're they might not be good for you, but they're very good for wildlife, for other species.

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nicholasszatkowski: And they said, oh, we do, and I was like, appoint me.

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nicholasszatkowski: We were standing in the 10-acre clear-cut part, you know, I was like, point then please point to one of the old hemlocks. They were like, oh, yeah.

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nicholasszatkowski: Whoops.

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nicholasszatkowski: So then, the next 10 acres, adjacent to that, they did still log pretty much all the forest, but they left most of the large old hemlock trees. So there's, like.

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nicholasszatkowski: between one to two dozen large old hemlocks standing out there. And it's not ideal to have them just isolated like that, but it's still better than nothing.

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nicholasszatkowski: And then, they logged another, like, 28 acres, about, south of the first clear-cut part.

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nicholasszatkowski: And that part It was, like, genuine.

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nicholasszatkowski: It's just, you know, selective harvesting. There's it's not just individual trees, there's little there's

patches of forests actually remaining. So you walk through it, and it seems like a forest.

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nicholasszatkowski: with some patches cut out, and some trees cut out. It's really different.

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Mark Sogge: Hey, you guys, I got a just a question. Are we are we legal to keep doing this, or would are we doing something wrong having this conversation?

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Kip: We're not making any decisions or voting or anything, right? We're just talking? Is that illegal?

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Mark Sogge: I don't know.

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Mark Sogge: I don't know how it works.

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nicholasszatkowski: I don't think there's any limit on us talking, yeah.

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Mark Sogge: Okay.

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nicholasszatkowski: I'm not aware of that anyway, I don't know. But anyway, I'm just saying.

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nicholasszatkowski: There's no necessity to have to clear cut.

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nicholasszatkowski: In this in this in the forest in the Chilcat Valley.

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nicholasszatkowski: it's a it's a thing that's been done a lot, and people are used to it, but even Scott Rossman, he does a lot of

logging where it's not clear-cutting. If that's what he has to do, he can accept that, and he has been doing that for a while. And it's a lot better, and I feel like

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nicholasszatkowski: You know, speaking, like, contributing to the to this committee, speak trying to speak on the behalf of other living things for fish and wildlife.

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nicholasszatkowski: That the best option is just not clear-cutting.

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Kip: I agree with you. Maybe Wade could even get a statement from Rossman, who said he would not

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Kip: He would totally be satisfied with that. Just as an example of someone who logs and does that.

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Kip: For him to say he understands and can appreciate it would be totally willing to.

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Kip: leave logs in a sale, you know?

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nicholasszatkowski: Glacier Creek, same thing, I don't know if you guys have seen that, you know, he's been logging there.

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nicholasszatkowski: Intermittently for a couple of years now, and that's also all selective logging.

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Kip: paths.

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Mark Sogge: Well, that sounds like a good thing to write put in a letter, then, I don't think.

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Kip: Yeah.

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Mark Sogge: a lot of opposition. I'm all in favor of selective.

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Kip: Yeah.

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Mark Sogge: Well, if you're giving it a cut, it makes sense.

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Kip: Yep.

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Mark Sogge: And certainly from, you know, wildlife and habitat, if we have even in the areas

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Mark Sogge: I mean, what they call not wildlife habitat. It's going to make a big difference to the animals to have some trees around and the regeneration of the forest as well.

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Kip: Yeah, yeah.

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Kip: Alright.

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Kip: Well

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nicholasszatkowski: Sounds good.

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Kip: Sounds like a good way to go.

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Mark Sogge: Yeah.

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Mark Sogge: Well, that was a surprisingly nice meeting, actually, I thought.

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Kip: Yeah, it's so frustrating, but everyone knows, we all know what's on the table, and they do too. Yeah, but

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Kip: It's not in their hands, I understand that, too.

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Mark Sogge: Yeah.

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Kip: Okay, good seeing you guys. Thanks for all the effort you guys put in. It's just great, really awesome.

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timmcdonough: Bye.

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Kip: Alright, have a good night.

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nicholasszatkowski: Guys.

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Mark Sogge: Night, you guys.

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Kip: Bye.