



## Step 2 – Modifying Boundaries via Development of Alternatives

	Alternative 1	Alternative 2	Alternative 3	Alternative 4	Alternative 5	Alternative 6
Description	2001 Roadless Rule	Roaded Roadless	Logical Extensions	Partial Development LUDs	Full Exemption	Full Development LUDs
Alaska Roadless Area (AKRA)	Not Applicable	LUD II Watershed Roadless	Roadless	LUD II Roadless Timber	Not Applicable	LUD II Roadless
Overview	<p>The “no action” alternative as required by NEPA.</p> <p>2001 Roadless Rule, which conserves 55% of the Tongass National Forest.</p> <p>110 Inventoried Roadless Areas (9.3 million acres)</p> <p>0 acres removed from roadless area protection.</p> <p>Timber harvest, road construction, and road reconstruction prohibited with limited exceptions.</p>	<p>Provides limited additional timber harvest opportunity while maximizing roadless area protections.</p> <p>Provides limited additional timber harvest opportunity by removing “roaded roadless” acres from the roadless area inventory, including both development and non-development LUDs*.</p> <p>Maximizes roadless area protection by applying the Watershed Priority AKRA land management category to Tongass 77 (T77) Watersheds and The Nature Conservancy (TNC)/Audubon Conservation Areas.</p> <p>Also designates LUD II Priority and Roadless Priority AKRA land management categories.</p>	<p>Provides moderate additional timber harvest opportunity while maintaining roadless area protections as much as feasible.</p> <p>Extends “roaded roadless” area bounds to logical end points of existing road and timber harvest systems and removes from roadless area inventory, including both development and non-development LUDs*.</p> <p>Utilizes only Roadless Priority AKRA land management category for remaining roadless areas, which is similar to 2001 Roadless Rule with additional exceptions for community connections and minerals development.</p>	<p>Provides significant additional timber harvest opportunity while maintaining protection for Scenic Viewsheds, Tongass 77 (T77) Watersheds, and TNC/Audubon Conservation Areas.</p> <p>Areas identified in Alternative 3 as logical extensions removed from roadless area inventory, including both development and non-development LUDs*.</p> <p>Applies Timber Priority AKRA land management category to Timber Development and Modified Landscape LUDs.</p> <p>Also designates LUD II Priority and Roadless Priority AKRA land management categories.</p>	<p>Provides maximum additional timber harvest opportunity as the full exemption alternative requested by the State of Alaska’s petition.</p> <p>2001 Roadless Rule no longer applies. 9.3 million acres removed from roadless area protection.</p> <p>Land management activities guided primarily by forest plan.</p>	<p>Provides maximum additional timber harvest opportunity by removing Timber Development, Modified Landscape, and Scenic Viewshed LUDs*, including T77 Watersheds and TNC/Audubon Conservation Areas within aforementioned development LUDs*, from roadless area inventory.</p> <p>Minerals Overlays, as provided by the forest plan, also removed from roadless area inventory.</p>

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