



DEIS Public Meeting Summary
USDA Forest Service, Washington Office and Alaska Region

Date	Location	Est. # of Participants	Discussion Summary: Key Issues, Concerns and Questions	Commitments/ Follow-up Needed
November 5, 2019	Yakutat	25	<p>Likely a mix of interests in the crowd. Not a lot of sentiment expressed during the public meeting. Some questions around LUD II areas, ex. What direction would apply, Would motorized use be allowed in those areas.</p> <p>Some concern expressed around accuracy of mapping for T77.</p> <p>Some question about the Secretary of Agriculture and how much input he accepted. Also, whether he'd ever been to Alaska.</p> <p>Most questions were clarifying questions.</p>	<p>In response to concern about the accuracy of the maps for action alternatives, left the map with the District Ranger and agreed to make GIS information available to verify map accuracy.</p>
November 5, 2019	Ketchikan	100	<p>Many questions about how Secretary of Agriculture could choose Alternative 6 despite the public sentiment and scoping. Many spoke and testified their preference for the no action alternative. Questions about the probability of changing which alternative is identified as the preferred alternative between now and the final rule.</p>	
November 6, 2019	Anchorage	54	<p>Diverse crowd. Many southeast Alaska Residents, all but one person who spoke expressed opposition to, or at least concerns about the proposed rule.</p> <p>Issues/Concerns expressed included high-grading, effects on wildlife (including endemics), effects on recreation tourism, effects on subsistence use, effects on southeast Alaska residents who prefer roadless areas left undisturbed.</p> <p>Questions/Concerns about analysis and data used in analysis of climate change, economics and wildlife.</p> <p>Questions about process and decision making by Secretary of Agriculture.</p> <p>Questions/Concerns about Chugach provision</p> <p>Climate change and analysis of climate change in DEIS.</p> <p>Economic analysis and data used to support that analysis</p>	

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November 6, 2019	Craig	25	President of Craig Tribal Association, Clinton Cook, was upset about the hearing being scheduled at the same time as the subsistence RAC meeting. Concerned about public testimony on the issue by general public – felt that more tribal engagement (prior to today) was needed. Stated any change is scary to the tribes.	More Tribal Engagement Sub Hearing “do-over”? So more tribal people and leadership can attend.
November 12, 2019	Sitka	130	Unanimous support expressed for Alternative 1, No Action. Questions about the 2016 Forest Plan and what will become of it. The effects analysis came in to question. Participants couldn’t believe there were no to moderate impacts. Tourism and fishing were of big interest.	None.
November 26, 2019	Skagway	60	A lot of questions and discussion around the regulations and relationship with the Forest Plan. Concerns about impacts to tourism and subsistence. General Support for No Action Alternative.	None