



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 |
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| 11/4/20 | Juneau | 250-300 | Majority of questions comments revolved around process and selection of the preferred alternative. In addition, concerns were raised over impacts to fisheries, recreational industry (mainly outfitter & guides), and scenery. People were concerned why oral testimony was not being accepted at the Juneau meeting and were clearly upset over this issue. | |
| 11/5/19 | Tenakee Springs | 25 | Majority of participants supported the no-action alternative. Questions and concerns revolved around process and impacts. Many questioned the validity of the meetings, alleging the agency already has pre-determined the outcome. | |
| 11/6/19 | Wrangell | 40 | Majority of participants supported the no-action alternative. However there was also vocal support for changing the roadless rule for Alaska. Questions and concerns revolved around process and the DEIS analyses. Also questions regarding the 2016 Tongass Forest Plan were raised and if/when a revision would occur. | |
| 11/7/19 | Petersburg | 40 | Majority of participants supported the no-action alternative. Many questioned the validity of the DEIS analyses and questioned the validity of the process, alleging the agency has already pre-determined the outcome. | |
| 11/12/19 | Angoon | 20 | Many of the participants did not fully understand the rulemaking process nor that it would not affect the Monument on Admiralty Island. Many were concerned with the community viability especially in light of the cut backs on the Alaska ferry system. Many were looking for additional economic opportunities. | |
| 11/14/19 | Hoonah | 40 | Meeting initially was disrupted by Ms. Wanda Culp and several of her companions. They delivered speeches on their perspective of the Alaska Roadless Rule. After 30-45 minutes the other meeting participants made it clear they wanted to hear the Forest Service presentation. Majority of participants expressed support for the no-action alternative, but many also were seeking more information. | |
| 11/19/19 | Point Baker | 12 | Majority of participants supported the no-action alternative. Most wanted more specific impact analyses so they could understand potential impacts to their local community. | |
| 12/7/19 | Haines | 20 | Majority of participants supported the no-action alternative. However, there was vocal support for changing the roadless rule for Alaska. Questions and | |

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| | | | concerns revolved around process and analysis. Concerns across the board regarding the DEIS and most did not agree with the conclusion of minor impacts. Concerns were expressed regarding climate change and the lack of analyses in the DEIS on climate change. | |
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