

Greetings Southeast Conference Members,

The Forest Service has released a draft EIS to amend the Tongass National Forest Land and Resource Management Plan, called TLMP. **Commenting on the proposed revisions and participating in the update process is critical if southeast Alaska is to resurrect the industry to create long term viable business options for the industry and jobs for the communities.**

Attached are Southeast Conference' preliminary comments. We are working on a much broader set of comments but we wanted you to have an early idea of where we are going and we encourage you to help us get there. The Forest Service needs to hear from every community, regardless of size, and regardless of location. You can see the draft EIS at http://tongass-fpadjust.net/FPA_Draft_EIS.htm There is a schedule of public hearings at [Tongass National Forest - Forest Plan Adjustment - Public Involvement](#) You can make comments at http://206.127.65.86/FPA_Comments/FPA_Make_Comment.asp?pg=Make%Comment We will help you to comment in any way we can. If you have questions or concerns regarding our comments, please contact me and I'll make sure a member of our Timber Team assists you and meets your needs.