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Dear National Forest User:

Attached is your copy of the Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Prince of Wales Outfitter and Guide Management Plan on the Craig and Thorne Bay Ranger Districts, Tongass National Forest. Four alternatives are considered in detail in the attached EA, the No-action, Proposed Action (Alternative 2), and two alternatives developed based on input during scoping. Additional copies of the EA are available on the internet at:

[http://www.fs.fed.us/r10/tongass/projects/nepa\\_project.shtml?project=27974](http://www.fs.fed.us/r10/tongass/projects/nepa_project.shtml?project=27974).

As the Deciding Officials, we are seeking your input on how to allocate recreational use to outfitters and guides. We will document our allocation decision in a Decision Notice (DN) and Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) in the summer of 2012.

You may provide comments on this project in four ways: 1) in person at the Craig Ranger District office, 504 9th St., Craig, Alaska; 2) by mail to the Craig Ranger District, P.O. Box 500, Craig, AK, 99829; 3) by FAX at (907) 826-2972; or 4) by email to [comments-alaska-tongass-craig@fs.fed.us](mailto:comments-alaska-tongass-craig@fs.fed.us) (please put "POW O/G" in the subject line).

It would be most helpful to us if your comments were site-specific, detailed, and specific to the Proposed Action and alternatives with supporting reasons for your suggestions.

For appeal eligibility, written comments must include your name, address and telephone number; project title, signature or other verification of your identity; and identification of the individual or organization who authored the comments. Comments must be received within 30 calendar days following publication of the notice of availability of this EA in the *Ketchikan Daily News*, the newspaper of record for this project. Please be aware that your name, address and comments will become part of the public record and may be available for public inspection.

Thank you for taking the time to participate in this process. Your comments and involvement are important to us. If you have questions about this project, please contact Sue Jennings, Team Leader, at (907)723-0477 or at [sjennings@fs.fed.us](mailto:sjennings@fs.fed.us).

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

