



# Roosevelt Resolution

*“The nation behaves well if it treats the natural resources as assets which it must turn over to the next generation increased and not impaired in value.”*

— *President Theodore Roosevelt*

**TO: PRESIDENT-ELECT OBAMA**

**RE: THE FUTURE OF OUR NATIONAL FORESTS IS IN YOUR HANDS**

More than a hundred years ago, President Theodore Roosevelt established our national forest system as a legacy for future generations. Because of his vision, these public lands have provided valuable habitat for fish and wildlife, clean drinking water for millions and unparalleled outdoor recreation opportunities for all to enjoy.

A century later, these national forests still stand because Americans enthusiastically have embraced their protection and pushed back when special interests threatened them. Now, we call on you to renew Theodore Roosevelt’s commitment to our natural heritage and fulfill your pledge to protect more than 58 million acres of pristine national forests by resolving to:

- **Uphold the Roadless Area Conservation Rule** that protects our last undeveloped national forests.
- **Suspend pending plans** that allow commercial road-building and logging in inventoried roadless areas that violate the rule.
- **Preserve Alaska’s Tongass National Rainforest** by ensuring its protection under the rule.



**Keep the Roadless Area  
Conservation Rule  
the Law of the Land.**