



Forest Service
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Wilderness Recommendation Process in Plan Revision Webinar

Questions & Answers

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1) If an area is recommended, what would it be called and how would it be managed?

This area would be called “Recommended Wilderness.” Plan components specific to recommended wilderness areas would be included in the revised land management plan to protect the characteristics that provided the basis for the recommendation for inclusion in the National Wilderness Preservation System. For more information, see Forest Service Handbook 1909.1_12, Chapter 70, Section 74.1.

2) Are there any areas recommended for wilderness that have not been designated?

There are no recommended wilderness areas on the Tongass National Forest. There are 19 designated wilderness areas on the Tongass that encompass about one-third of the forest’s acres.

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