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**UA Lands – October 2020 Update**

The University of Alaska team hopes everyone reading this is healthy and well. Please see below the most recent “Timber Update” as submitted to the Board of Regents.

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*Land Management continues its in depth analysis of the timber market and the effects of economic factors and the tariff increases between China and the United States on the Haines Timber Sale. Throughout this quarter, extensions were granted for the tariff exemptions, which provided some relief to existing timber sales in Alaska.*

*The current economic volatility provides Land Management leeway to further evaluate the timber price forecasts and focus on long-term activity in order to maximize returns on timber projects. Part of the on-going research includes evaluating the resources and responsibilities that can be shared to achieve a successful partnership with the operators in order to negotiate a favorable contract for a timber sale.*

I will no longer be the point of contact, as the Liaison to the UA land Management Office. All future newsletters will be written by my colleague Kirsten Henning, so you'll see her name at the bottom of future newsletters. Kirsten has been working on this project from the beginning.

As always, we'll continue to make ourselves available to the community, so please reach out to her with any questions at [UALandHaines@gmail.com](mailto:UALandHaines@gmail.com).