To whom it my concern,

I am a third generation Alaskan, and have 4 children I am rising in this state. (My grandfather came to the state before statehood.) I was born in Cordova and my wife of 18 years is native Alaskan. I hunt, fish, and snowmachine in the CNF every year. This privilege is one I do not take for granted and is a way of life for me and many Alaskans. It is not just recreation it is sustenance, my freezer has shrimp, halibut, salmon, and deer in it from this area.

I strongly oppose losing any rights of access, to include snowmachining. Any move to limit motorized access by designating “Wilderness” area’s is unacceptable.

I would also like to point out that some people have been using this area before it was a national forest. It is not right to take the opinions of people that have not set foot in the resource and give them any weight in a usage conversation next to people that have generations of responsible history that predates the National Forest Designation. If you need documented history I can provide it.

-Brandon Sandstrom