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Comments: Hi! My name is Jacob, and I was born and raised in Anchorage. I grew up hiking and playing in the Chugach mountains, and continue to enjoy them to this day. Every chance I get I hike those mountains, and absolutely love the experience of the huge mountains so close to Anchorage.

I currently live and work in Fairbanks, and spend as much time outdoors as possible. I run, hike, canoe, hunt, off road, dirt bike, ski, and snowmachine. If it's outdoors and it's in Alaska, I do it.

Part of what makes Alaska a unique place to me is both that the wilderness is there, and that Alaskans can play in it. Most other places with any terrain similar are so full of rules that you can't even think of walking through some of it, let alone ride your dirt bike through or take a snowmachine to play in the deep powder.

Alaskans love their outdoors, and they love their motorsports. We don't like to tear up the land, or trash it, or make it look bad for others. We go out and we have fun, but we keep our impact on the land to nothing or minimal, because we want to enjoy this land all our lives, and we want our children and grandchildren to enjoy it as we did.

Please don't take this away from us. Please don't equate our land to anything else, because our land is unique in size, quality, and wilderness. Alaskans are already working hard to keep it that way, and we don't need outside help or designations to change what we know and love.

Alternatives C and D don't work for Alaska. Please rethink these plans, or, better yet, leave them and don't revisit them.

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