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Comments: Growing up in anchorage and having the love to ride sleds lead me to one amazing thing. The beauty of riding the chugach mountains, there's no place else like it to ride. With its breath taking views, steep mountains, and technical terrain I believe it's not only mine but a lot of people's escape from the real world. Over the years I have seen a change in backcountry skier strapping their skis to sleds and switching sides of the high way. Even though snowmobiles aren't aloud on the skier side and with the skiers jumping over to the motorized side there's still a mutual respect there, because we all enjoy the same thing with a different style. I think they should open up more terrain for motorized vehicle, with proper snow coverage and base the environment wouldn't be harmed. It would also spread out the snowmobilers from one area where it can get kinda dangerous with all the riders on some days. But if more area is open to us that's more area to explore and spread out the riders from one area. All in all the chugach mountain are an privalage to ride and I think most of us respect that, cause of its beauty, sight, terrain, and location no one wants to see this place go away.