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Comments: I really hope you do everything you can to preserve the wilderness aspect of the Chugach National Forest. I have been enjoying it for the past 28 years I have lived in Anchorage. I am especially concerned that you do all you can to preserve the wilderness aspects of the Prince William Sound area of the forest. I have a special attachment to the PWS. I worked on the sea otter rescue after the spill and then several seasons on the Alaska Dept. of Fish and Game research vessel Montague doing commercial fishery spill research. I also have spent one to two months in the PWS every summer since then with my own boats. I used to do family trips there in kayaks accessed by train to Whittier. After the tunnel opened to cars the wilderness aspects have continued to diminish. I no longer do kayak trips rather carry kayaks on my powerboat to use at anchorages due to the heavy powerboat traffic. Please try to make an area off limits to powerboats so self propelled crafts can have a place to visit exclusive to them. With the more traffic going into the sound through the Anton tunnel access I hope you can make more restrictions on activities that impact the wilderness aspects of Prince William Sound. It would be awesome if you could prohibit chain saw use and eliminate semi permanent camps that have been set up there by float planes. Please don't allow any fuel / supply stations to be set up like was proposed in Herring Bay. The Chugach National Forest is a gem and I hope you do all you can to preserve the wilderness aspects for current and future generations to experience what a wilderness area is since it is so easily degraded from uses like mining, logging, development and power sports activities. Thank You for your service, Clyde Vicary