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Comments: I worked for five years in eastern PWC. I recently spent a week in the western PWC mostly within the Chugash WSA. I was surprised at the increase in the number of visitors that opening up the Whittier tunnel to cars allowed. Overall I was impressed that the Forest Service has been able to maintain the wilderness character of the area as well as it has.

My comments are that the FS should continue to protect the wild character of the entire Wilderness Study Area until Congress finalizes its protection. This means preserving the area's current undeveloped and non-motorized character. Do not reduce the size of the WSA.

The FS should recommend that Congress designate the WSA as wilderness.