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Comments: My name is Josh Merkes.

First off, thank you for your efforts and willingness to include all user groups in the Chugach Forest Service Revision Plan.

I currently live in Sterling alaska, and have been living in Alaska for 32 years. I have enjoyed riding snowmachines in the Chugach for 25 years, and I typically go 20 times a year. As a motorized user, I oppose losing any right to motorized access of these public lands. A large majority of the Chugach is already restricted to non-motorized use, and what's left shall remain intact, if not expanded, for future generations.

The areas I access the forest are: Whittier, Turnagain, Lost Lake, Summit Lake, Resurrection Pass

The rights of motorized user groups have diminished since 2002 when The National Forest Service initiated the Forest Land Management Plan and it must stop.

Please consider leaving the current access in place and work toward opening more areas for future generations.

Thank you,
Josh