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Comments: Being born and raised in Anchorage, the chugach seemed to always be out my doorstep. My dad raised me with snowmachining, fishing, hunting, and much more in prevalence. Snowmachining is key in all of these activities, as you can engage in all of them while utilizing snowmobiles. Turnagain, Johnsons, and placer have always been my main riding zones I look forward to every winter.

Loosing any riding zones would be detrimental to our future generations. I look forward to when my daughter and son are able to join myself and my wife in all current zones and hopefully expanded zones.

I have been riding in Johnsons and been called to assist in skier rescue in non-motorized Turnagain. Just the presence of souls nearby enjoying their motorized sport was able to help assist the non motorized side in avalanche rescue immediately.

If anything could have attention brought to it, our trail access needs to be supported to help preserve terrain yet still open healthy elevations such as lost lake. If we all worked together, we could have much more terrain to enjoy then we have of recent. Warm temperatures keep much of south riding areas closed in past years. We need to manage our trails, maintenance them to handle access traffic, and fund to ensure the future holds the means for continued use.

More then anything, revoking present land for motorized use is unacceptable. With today's responsible patterns increasing more and more, the motorized community is deserving of what we've all been working so hard to gain: more area. Social media platforms and forums have gainfully increased responsible riding, conservation, and back country safety. With these resources, it's undeniable that the culture of snowmachiners has bounded forward to respect all the encompasses the sport. We hope to be rewarded for our never ending efforts.

Thanks,

John Johnson

Lifelong Chugach Beneficiary