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Comments: I am a life long Alaskan who grew up the Alaskan way. My grandfather had a farm on a homestead that was fly or snowmachine in only. Growing up we didn't have a lot and that ment we got to visit in the winter as chartering a plane was rarely in the budget. This made snowmachining part of our lives. I grew up hunting, fishing, skiing, boating etc all over the state. When I was 8 (1998) we moved to Homer and I began riding snowmachines for fun. Since then I have ridden all over the chugiach, and skied a few places as well. I now have a 2 year old done and a 10 month old daughter. I want them to grow up in the alaska that I know and loved growing up myself. For this reason I don't support any plan that restricts motorized access to public lands. Public lands are for all Alaskans to enjoy responsibly. With the current system of waiting until there is adequate snow coverage and then allowing motorized over snow access we ensure that the forests remain and we all get to enjoy them for generations. Allowing motorized access means more people with snowmachines can get there, more people with planes can fly in and land on skis, trails for skiers can be groomed, more heliski companies can land in different areas and drop clients into terrain otherwise unreachable.

Please continue to let the public enjoy public lands in Alaska and don't further restrict motorized access to the Chugiach.