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Comments: I am a life long Alaskan and I appreciate your time to hear my opinion. I live in anchorage and have the unique perspective of seeing every aspect of the issue. In the summer I hike in the mountains next to anchorage, I boat up numerous rivers in the CNF, (placer, portage, 20 mile) and I fly over a large portion of the CNF(from knik to Eklutna to homer). In the winter I snowmachine at turnagain and lost lake when they are open. During all of these activities I get to see what impact we do to the land and nature with mortorized access: virtually none. When flying over Turnagain pass or lost lake I cannot tell where motorized access is allowed and where it is off limits- this is because motor vehicles are not making an impact to the environment. We should responsibly enjoy OUR land and not restrict access because of emotions and false advertising. The fact is the only way to access the majority of the CNF is with a motorized vehicle. We have been using motorized vehicles responsibly for many years and have proven it can be done. If anything we should be allowing more access because snow machines are far more efficient and more environmentally friendly, also users are forming groups and holding each other accountable to take care of our riding zones. I know the large majority of people I have spoken to feel the same way I do and want to see the CNF stay open to motorized vehicles for many more generations so we can responsibly share this amazing land with our friends and family. Again thank you for your time and I hope you consider my views.