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Comments: My name is Curt Ensminger my family moved to Alaska in 1980 at the age of 4 yrs old I was raised riding and enjoying the outdoors with my family from a very young age. We lived in clam gulch and spent any free moment camping, fishing and riding arcs and snow machines. My dad taught us to respect the land like we owned it. Make it better than when you showed up. We had 340 and 440 Rupp sleds that also taught my brothers and I the value of helping one another because we got stuck ALOT. To close down any riding area is a disservice to those memories and will keep the younger generations from being able to experience these life long traits that are learned by exploring the back country. I have been a avid rider of lost lake, Turnagain and Portage (if we are lucky enough for a good snow year) for over 25 yrs. these areas offer some of the best riding in the state and possibly the world. This land should be accessible for all of us to explore and enjoy responsibly not just one group or the other. Thank you all for your time and effort.