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Comments: Being raised in Anchorage Alaska the chugach has always been right there for a lot of my outdoor activity's I enjoy. My dad at the age of 18 took a vacation to Alaska from Oregon, he couldn't avoid the inevitable and stayed here to continue his life in this beautiful country.

Anyway since I can remember he has involved me in a lot different outdoor activities from a very young age such as snowmachining, skiing, hunting and fishing. Many of those have taken place right in the heart of the chugach mountains including, 20 mile, placer, turnagain, and my favorite Johnson's pass. I have visited these areas numerous amounts of times including lost lake being accessible through 3 locations fire house, primrose and snug harbour. It's a passion that I enjoy and many other people do as well. It's not just about the motor heads, there are countless amounts of skiers that access different zones by snowmachine and not only that but we are an accessible to assist in avalanche rescue in a timely fashion and I'm sure gives some people peace of mind knowing we are just minutes away in case of emergency.

The option to close any riding area in these areas is ridiculous. If anything it should be expanding the opportunity to explore new areas. The local money that is brought in from this sport is huge for all community's in central alaska and you would be sure to see a decrease in funds. I'm writing this post because I hope someday to be able to share these amazing areas and views with my future children in all seasons. I believe there could be some minor things changed in the access such as small charges for parking or a seasonal parking odd that could also be put back into our sport such as parking lot up keep and trail management to better keep any vegetation that could be harmed.

I love these places and enjoy them more than anywhere else. Thank you for the time and opportunity to be able to voice my opinion.

Thank you, Gregory Johnson Forever a life long chugach user