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Comments: My name is Matt Spernak I have been a Alaska resident my whole life. I first used the turnagain pass at age 5 or 6 learning how to ride a small children's snowmachine. The late season with mild temperatures is great for getting youth and new riders out for a positive experience. Later in my teens I was a regular for early season snowboarding on the skier side.

From this time in the Chugach and other great areas a passion for being outside was born. I now I make a living in the winters teaching people to ride and managing a race team. Building suspensions for riders and being outside as much as possible. I do take riders regularly to experience the Chugach.

From what I've seen from being on both sides of the fence is that recreationalist without motorized units(including helicopters) do not get more than seven or eight miles from the highway. I believe more should be open to motorized use which would lower impact because of the greater area the use would be spread across. Especially farther from the highway.

We need more motorized areas open in the Chugach not less!!!

Thank you for your time,

Matthew Spernak