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Comments: STOP THREATENING MY MOTORIZED ACCESS AGAIN

* I ONLY VISIT THE CHUGACH FOR WINTER ACTIVITIES. KEEP ALL MOTORIZED AREAS OPEN PLEASE. I JUST WANT MY KIDS TO ENJOY THE GREAT OUTDOORS AS I DID ON A SNOWMACHINE.

* I am strongly opposed to losing any more acres of snowmachine terrain on the Kenai Peninsula. Therefore Alternatives C and D are unacceptable. An increase in backcountry recreation, quieter, more fuel efficient snowmobiles and inconsistent snow at lower elevations are all reasons we need to maintain what riding areas we have today and for future generations. You should be thinking of ways to open access for winter riders... not shutting them down. Put 300 plus pages of effort into opening new areas!

* As it pertains to safety and rescue, our trails serve as emergency access routes for first responders to any motorized or non-motorized incident.

* Warmer winters in Alaska are affecting user access. The EIS/Forest plan do not bring solutions forward to address this issue. For example, Lost Lake often is closed to motorized use when there is more than adequate snow cover 500' up the trail.

* You don't think it appropriate to recommend additional acres (beyond the 1.4M acres recommended in 2002) suitable for Wilderness designation in this Forest plan. Any further acres designated as "Wilderness" will limit winter recreation opportunities and displace motorized users.

Keep the forests open, you have more than enough of alaska closed off for motorized use. Please keep it worth visiting the Chugach in the winter.

V/r,

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