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Comments: For the past 12 years I have been living in Alaska. During all of these years I have been respectfully using motorized vehicles in the Chugach Forest. I use a jet boat in the summer to access some of the most beautiful areas imaginable and fish where there aren't combat mobs. I use a six wheeler to go mining with friends on their claims. In the winter I ride snowmachines at Placier, Turnagain, Johnsons pass and Lost Lake. Although I haven't hunted yet in these areas I always put in for the lotteries. Someday I will get the chance to harvest game using motorized access.

I believe that I speak for many people when I say that having motorized access to areas like this are THE reason to live in Alaska. Motors on boats, snowmachines, ATVs or off road vehicles allows people to get into the wilderness and enjoy the areas on the weekend. It would take a week to get to some of these locations on foot if it was even possible.

I come from an area on the East coast where having a 100 acres is nothing and costs less than a condo in Anchorage. Alaska is the opposite, There isn't much private land available to residents to utilize however they please. Because of this having access to local state and national park land is imperative. I honestly believe that if use of these lands start getting restrictions you might see people like myself not staying and raising their family here.

If someone doesn't want to use motorized vehicles they don't have to. There are plenty of areas that these vehicles can't go for whatever reasons. There are many other people (a majority) who need these vehicles to access the same remote spots. Not everyone is in their prime physical condition to use their body to get to these spots.

If changes are made to this plan option B seems the most suitable. Although I would like to see more areas open to motorized use in the parks. There is still so much area unable to be accessed. Please do not restrict anymore motorized usage in the parks and if you change this plan make more area accessible!!

Thanks,

Ian