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Comments: Hello, I'm 19 years old and have lived in Soldotna, Alaska my whole life. I've been riding snow machines since I've been able to hang onto the bars when I was little and I've been riding ever since. It's my favorite/only thing to in the winter and I'm pretty sure that speaks for many others residing in Alaska. If you think that closing the chugach for motorized use I'm going to have to drive 400+ miles just to fulfill my passion. The chugach is my go to when I have the itch to ride any day of the week because of the convince of a 30 minute drive down the road to my favorite riding zones like lost lake, turnagain, squirrel flats, etc. If you make the decision to close it It's safe to say teenagers will get bored with nothing to do besides drink and party and do drugs. Some kids like me live to ride in the chugach and we're going to do whatever it takes to make sure that doesn't happen. Don't just think about the Forrest and the pollution when you make your decision on if you should close the chugach for motorized use but to think about futures generations, teenagers, and old timers just trying to go out and have fun in the beautiful mountains. Thankyou for your time for reading this letter.