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Comments: Let me start by saying alternatives C and D are unacceptable, do not remove acreage of motorized use on the Kenai peninsula.

A little backstory on myself. I grew up in Southeast Alaska enjoying the outdoors. I fish, hunt, hike, bike, boat, back country ski, snowboard, snowmachine, climb, ride 4wheelers and dirt bikes, camp, and take every opportunity to explore the great state we have in a sustainable and responsible manner. The last 4 years I have spent in Anchorage Alaska attending UAA, but recreating all over the state (from Fairbanks, to south of Ketchikan). There are few places in the world that represent the collective culture, ideals, and "small town" collaboration that Alaska portrays.

To who ever is reading this, I encourage you to keep in mind the culture in Alaska, and understand the difference between Alaska and the rest of the United States, while you plan the future for the Chugach National Forest, and other areas of Alaska. Alaska is far different then the rest of the United States with respect to the population, residence wants and needs, and the raw elements of the state. Eliminating motorized access for areas of the state that are traditionally accessible will likely do more harm then good in respect to safety, exploration, and enjoyment. Please make the decision based on what RESIDENCE of Alaska want, not people who do not understand the culture and sustainability in Alaska.

I appreciate your time and effort put in to this.

Sincerely,

A life long resident of Alaska.