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Comments: Hello I am for maintaining the areas in the Chugach in question open for snow mike use and potential expansion of these areas and trails. I have been riding recreationally in the Chugach mountains and in these areas for 15 years. I am a fourth generation Alaskan and I have personally helped and seen the snowmachining community clean parking lots annually. Take care of the areas they ride and explore. They efforts have gone as far as individuals hiking up the mountains in the spring to make sure these areas stay clean and preserved. Riders in these areas and many others also drive revenue to small towns like Girdwood, Whittier, Seward and moose pass. Purchasing fuel, food and at times renting rooms at local hotels

. Trail heads and trails are always taken care of and the community policies themselves well at stoping before the grounds can be damaged.

The community also has donated snow machines and help to people maintaining weather stations in the Chugach mountains as well.

Again I am 100% for leaving these areas open and possible expansion.

Thank you for taking the time to read this.