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Comments: To whom it may concern,

My name is Kent Blaylock, I am a born and raised Alaskan from Palmer. I have been recreating in the CNF for the last 16 years. I recreate in this area in many different ways and have for years whether it be fishing, camping, snowboarding, or riding snow machines. I have spent many years hiking the east side of Turnigan pass. In 2005 I was buried up to my neck in an avalanche while snowboarding, I have not been snowboarding in the back country since. My love for the mountains was still there so after I got my first good job I was able to buy a snow machine and continue to do what I love. I have a family that depends on me so balancing my love for the back country and making it home safe is my number one priority. My two boys who are 6 and 8 ride snow machines and I hope to show them the experience of the backcountry when they are old enough to join me. I feel by closing these corridors not only affects us in the present but it will affect future generations in a negative way. Being from Palmer I also have been recreating in Hatcher pass my entire life. We have faced some of these same issues in the past few years, one of my main concerns is SAFELY accessing the areas we all love to enjoy. I feel if we do not pick plan B it will close corridors that we use to safely access these areas. I choose plan B.

Thank you for your time,

Kent Blaylock