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Comments: I'm from the East Coast, but an annual pilgrimage to Valdez and Thompson Pass is an important part of every winter for me. The snowboarding there is second to none and the Chugach has a special place in my heart.

I don't have the budget for heli, and I don't have the skill for snowmachines. But despite that I need those users to have access to the Chugach. It's a massive area, that's difficult to know and difficult to access, and without the support and knowledge provided by motor-assisted users I wouldn't be able to safely ride the terrain I love.

The Chugach should remain free and open to everyone, on foot, splitboard, snowmachine or heli.