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Comments: Pure electric or human propelled boats would be the ideal solution for vessel transportation on Mendenhall lake. Fuel sheen on the water, exhaust smell and noise would take away from the experience on the lake and would disrupt wildlife. I strictly oppose anything that burns fossil fuel operating near the glacier itself and would ask you use electric vessels for for construction phase transportation and work as well.

Allow commercial transportation or tour vendors at least 2 years for USCG design approvals and vessel construction, so get this option with your requirements out on the table for your consideration early in the process.

Here is an example of what has been accomplished elsewhere.

<https://www.marinelink.com/news/new-allelectric-niagara-falls-tour-482211>