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Comments: I am opposed what seems to be a vague and short on details expansion. Local use by humans and wildlife (particularly goats), should be number one priority when determining any expansion. Areas that locals can access in one days time for hunting and recreation should be off limits to heli-skiing. Any expansion should not allow operators to use the city airport, fly over residential areas and close to town recreation and Eyak Lake.

I echo the Westings' previously submitted comments in general and specifically regarding goats: "Sensitive goat habitat (wintering and kidding areas) have not been adequately delineated. Without these data it is impossible to evaluate potential impacts on these animals. Numerous studies have documented that helicopter supported activities can negatively impact goats. Identifying areas where these impacts are likely is critical to guiding permitting. A goat monitoring program should be developed that is repeatable, rigorous, and capable of guiding management action."

The current heli-ski operators currently have massive amounts of terrain they can access. I do not see any need to expand it.

Thank you,

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