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Comments: I am a guide at Points North Heli Adventures. I am in favor of the new USFS permit for heli-skiing in the Chugach National Forest. The Chugach is one of those special places in the world that is beautiful, wild and remote. Some of the only ways to experience these places are via aircraft and on skis. Myself and the other guides are committed to being stewards of the land and have a deep respect for the public lands we work on. My caring for these lands is built upon the time we spend in these special places like the Chugach. Bringing our clients into the mountains, experiencing the magic that the Chugach provides has had a profound impact on my life and the lives my clients. I believe it is essential to allow people the access to these places in order to protect them, by building a personal connection to the natural world.

Access to increased terrain will not only allow us to showcase the incredible natural beauty of the National Forest in a more accessible manner but also allow us to do so more safety by having increased options to work around weather and conditions. I love spending part of each year in Cordova and look forward to many continued seasons working with the local community.