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Comments: Greetings:

I am a 24-year resident of Cordova, and have fished commercially from there since 1978. I am also an avid alpine skier, hunter and backcountry recreator. My wife, Renee Lindow, is also a 24-year resident of Cordova, and an avid backcountry skier and recreator.

We are opposed to Proposal 59615 regarding permitting of heli-ski operators to operate from Cordova Municipal (Eyak Lake) Airport.

We are opposed for two reasons:

- 1) The dramatic noise and air traffic increase in the residential areas of the eastern portions of the City of Cordova.
- 2) The likely conflict with human-powered-access skiers in the areas of Queen's Chair, Power Creek valley and the Sheridan River drainage.

Essentially, we see no justifiable reason to permit commercial heli-ski operations out of Eyak Lake Airport when there are good options available for these operations to base out of Orca Lodge, Mudhole Smith Airport, or some other location far removed from Cordova. We ask that you do not allow heli-ski operators to subject the residents of Cordova to excessive noise pollution, and increased air traffic (with it's inherent risks), when there are very viable options available for their air base farther away from Cordova.

Additionally, we see no reason to allow these operators to use the drainages of Queen's Chair, Power Creek and Sheridan River, which are used frequently by local backcountry skiers, when there are thousands of acres of other good skiing terrain available to the heli-ski operators within the proposal areas.

Thank you for considering our comments.

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