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Comments: I would prefer Alternative 2 of the following reasons.

-It dissipates the crowds at the Visitor Centre area with new trails (e.g. Lake Shore Trail) and expanded trails (e.g. Steep Creek) and new facilities (New Welcome Center)

-Emphasizes year round recreation in the Mendenhall Glacier Recreation Area with new trails (e.g. Dredge Lake Outer Loop Trail) and improvements to others (e.g. Dredge Lake Multi-use Trail improvements). It needs to be stressed that Juneauites will enjoy the use of these improvements during the visitor season and non-visitor season alike.

-With additional options the capacity will be increased for commercial use thus allowing more visitors to experience the beauty of the Tongass National Forest.

-The idea of reconnecting the west side and the east again with a bridge is a great one and offers again more options to disperse crowds and have more people explore the area.

-Improved parking at the Visitor Center area will help both locals and visitors alike.

-The increase in trailhead parking at the Powerline Trail, Dredge Lake Trail and Crystal Lake Trails will help locals a great deal.

Overall Alternative 2 addresses the expected increase in use of the area during the visitor season and adds options that locals will enjoy year round.