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Comments: I have lived in Juneau, Alaska for 40 years and actually worked at the Mendenhall Glacier Visitor Center for 4 years.

I believe that not allowing mineral exploration or development is essential for this protected area. The forelands of the glacier within the recreation area are a text book of glacial retreat and development as time passes since the glacier retreated.

This area does not need to be filled with industrial noise or environmental damage caused by mineral exploration. Please keep this area protected from any mineral exploration or development for the next 20-100 years.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.