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Comments: Hello.

Please do not do this. These are not ski areas and there is no avalanche control. Innocent people with a false sense of security will die. These are extreme backcountry areas. I have seen this firsthand at Anderson/Watson AND Glacier creek. Because of the conflicting use and no clear perception of "right of way" on the slope, I have witnessed 2 collisions involving snowmobiles and skiers in which the skiers were injured at Anderson/Watson which is a small area.

When skiing in a ski area, all traffic is moving in the same direction, downhill.

But in this mixed use vision it will be erratic with snowmobiles going uphill and skiers going downhill. There will be chaos and injuries.

Please do not allow this. We snowmobiles have very little safe and dedicated riding areas when compared with other outdoor recreators who have millions of acres available for them to ski and have huts already. This doesn't even include the many ski areas. A collision between a 600 lb snowmobile and a human being, especially a blind corner on a groomed trail is not going to end well for the skier and likely will scar the operator for life.

Snowmobiles do not belong in mix use areas. That's why we are not allowed to ride them in ski areas. Think about it..

This is a bad idea that only serves to line the pockets of business owners.

Thank you.

Respectfully,

Joe Walters