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Comments: Though I agree that the Chugach National Forest needs to managed appropriately in all aspects, the one issue I have with the current and proposed management plans are that though there are several trails within the Forest are almost all are non motorized except for winter trails when there is enough snow. This seems to be extremely disproportionate to the users of the Forest. In the new management plan under roads and trails FW G2 DC 14 it again seems like there are more non motorized trails which is direct contradiction to the term of fair and equitable access and recreational opportunities. I understand the issues with the various user groups and agree with several of them, that said however the use of ORV and other light motorized vehicle on designated trails needs to be addressed. Currently there are only two authorized trails for ORV's on the peninsula according to your information and they are both in the Moose Pass area. A suggestion and request is that perhaps some of the old trails that were once available be reopened to ORV use, perhaps trails such as the old mining road near Devils Creek (old timber cutting area) or the trail at 12 mile near snow river could be looked at. This would allow for a more manageable use of ORV's as well as allow for various other uses such as hunting and access to back country areas by several user groups. As stated before it seems that non motorized user have a disproportionate allowance when it comes to the various user groups. Thank you for your time.