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Comments:

I strongly value quiet, human-powered wilderness recreation. Snow machines and other motorized recreation is NOT compatible with this, period. Despite claims that newer machines are quieter, etc. they can still be heard for miles and destroy the quality of recreation I value.

The argument holds year-round, but is especially critical in winter, when snow machines can travel as fast as a car going down the highway, creating dangerous conditions for skiers.

I hope that we can leave current human-powered (non-motorized) portions of the forest as they are, especially in Turnagain Pass, where the division of motorized and non-motorized is clear and works well for everyone. Backcountry skiing is exploding in popularity and offers a low cost, low impact way for people to enjoy the wilderness. Please strongly consider this user group when updating the forest plan.