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Im writing to voice my concern about the Chugach Forest Plan Revision #40816.

I've been recreating (motorized and non-motorized) in Chugach National Forest since 2004. As climate change and extreme weather patterns become a normal occurrence in Alaska the flexibility of any new management plan must adjust accordingly. Previous years motorized users have been restricted because of a calendar date during heavy spring snows in the Turnagain, Lost lake and Skookum/Placer river drainages. This type of management isn't management at all but more of an uninformed decision based on a date. If the true management purpose is to protect underlying vegetation these type of past decisions do nothing but increase polarization between motorized and non-motorized users. Please unsure future plans take these extremes into account and accurately take the snowpack into account.

Finally, I want to commend the U.S. Forest Service on its use of social media and online technology for notifying the public of openings/closures and general information about our forest. You have made great strides in keeping the public informed.