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Comments:

As a sixty year resident of Alaska, I have enjoyed the Forest in all seasons. I have used my packgoats on a number of trips into the back country.

Before an animal is ready for a trip, many hours and miles of training and care is invested in the goat over several years. Not the least of which is the health and fitness of the goat. The goats are trained to stay close and by nature will not wander away from us.

I feel that the proposed ban is not justified. I could see a plan to ensure that goats going into the Forest are proven healthy but not a total ban.