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Comments:

This is so important to the actual people that live in and around the Chugach National Forest. The only reason I chose to live in Alaska, specifically the Turnagain Pass area is because of the access to world class backcountry ski terrain. The risk of losing more access via motorized snowmachines is very worrisome. Enough of this large area is already restricted either by non motorized designation or naturally due to waterways or cliffed out settings. My outings in the winter months of Dec. Jan., and Feb. are so short usually due to lack of daylight or cold temps. My snowmachine actually makes it possible to get out and enjoy the outdoors in a way only most Alaskans understand. If this area is further restricted I will be selling my home, business and moving my family. This is not a joke there will be no desire for my family to stay in this area. I literally live for this access and the opportunity to show my kids some of the most amazing areas in the world via snowmachine/ snowmobile access. Again there are enough limitations in this part of the world without the Department of Agriculture limiting more, Please don't. I understand the groups wanting to "save" more wilderness and encourage that, unfortunately this isn't the area and a little time here and coming out with me during the winter I could demonstrate that. Please keep as much of the Chugach open as possible it isn't like other Forest plans that may need revision.