

Customer Service

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- 0058-001 Mountain Bike & Hiking Trails Cabins in remote sites - put these back in Seward or Anchorage for Reservations. This new reservation system is absurd. I feel \$25 was very adequate for 1 night's use.
- 0128-002 Does the Forest Interpretive Plan adequately incorporate all aspects of the Forest mission?
- 0140-001 Good trails. Clean campgrounds & toilets.
- 0146-007 The Forest service should incorporate a tourism strategy into the new plan in order to accommodate growing numbers of visitors. The plan should provide for new visitor opportunities.
- 0148-003 I would like to see more educational & non motorized recreational activities happen through the Forest Service.
- 0229-011 Obstacle: apathy A way out: 1) make personal contacts & invitations 2) ask for a 1-time only participation - short term commitment makes it easier to come) (unlikely that those who come won't continue) to be involved
- 0230-002 Dialogue between users. Understanding others interests.
- 0246-002 It's also important to develop some recreational uses which allow people with different abilities and interests to enjoy parts of the forest.
- 0278-001 1. A. The general public needs to be more aware that their forest management plan is under review and basically that there is a plan. Long term. More input from the non-user view may allow planners to include ideas from the general public, rather than specific users. 2. A. It would allow more national pride in public ownership of the Nat'l Forests & wilderness areas. It would help to capture the special value of the Nat'l forest ("and not being used (ie developed) must not have value") a perception? 3. A. Nat'l P.R. campaign by the (ILLEGIBLE). General funding or fee demo money. 4. A. The general public don't seem to know that a Nat'l Forest is theirs. In these modern days there's too many distractions and access for many is just not available. Internet virtual reality (ie. (ILLEGIBLE) Park) public service announcements. Like the old Smoky the Bear commercials. 5. A. It adds the question of social value of a Nat'l Forest and hopefully brings to light areas to better protect or ways to better educate the public about their forests. Create partnerships to enhance the educational processes - public schools,
- 0287-001 By recognizing and integrating national interests/values in planning. This would be a long-term improvement. I DON'T KNOW YET Because it better incorporated national interests for a national resource. Doesn't leave decisions solely up to local populations with vested interest. I DON'T KNOW YET! However, that should not foreclose debate (or effort toward R/D) on the issue. This type of thinking has traditionally stifled innovative and practical development of analysis/decision-making processes for things not easily (though not necessarily properly) measured (or noncommensurate). J. Michael McCloskey says it is the vote Putting the Chugach in perspective with all the other federal land interests. How to adjudicate local vs distant "votes." Even if we could (ILLEGIBLE) register our individual views, is it a straight vote? weighted vote? Etc. - By changing the way the society views its responsibilities to natural resources. Very "science-fiction-ish." It would affect most other parts and issues because it would change
- 0288-001 Balancing local vs. national level concerns about the Chugach, who controls the destiny of the Forest: Small number of local, vocal individuals or larger number of remote citizens. Compromising (?) the local knowledge of culture vs. national scale viewpoint, which group will dominate decisions - especially if the groups are at odds in terms of objectives. All or most all other parts & issues. However, may be especially relevant in terms of national preservation objectives versus local needs for subsistence or recreation. Do we - or how much do we - incorporate the larger national interest in the (ILLEGIBLE) decisions?
- 0290-001 I am primarily concerned that plan reflect the diverse views and needs of the public. I am concerned that public input is managed in a way that allows the best collective thinking on a particular issue such as ecotourism or resource development to be weighed by the public through a viable process; rather than have those ideas eliminated by an individual or small group. Care needs to be taken when grouping issues or ideas is that individual values of those managing the information don't have an overpowering influence. Always be mindful of the different viewpoint. Sometimes the best ideas come from the most unlikely places. When the plan is completed there must be a viable annual review and report to the public on efforts and results to implement the plan - a report card Accountability and public support It could be done by an independent Board representing diverse interests. Forest Service Personnel or
- 0295-012 11. NO NEW PUBLIC USER FEES SHOULD BE IMPLEMENTED -- Moderate fees for using certain improved areas in the Forest such as campgrounds and paved parking lots at Russian River are appropriate, however there is a new and worrisome trend in National Forests in the Lower 48 to impose new fees for access to unimproved parts of the Forests such as caves in Arizona and a so-called "adventure tax" in the San Bernardino National Forest in California. The Forest is PUBLIC LAND, and the public should not be charged fees to use unimproved areas of its own land.

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- 0353-001 Give Local Ranger districts more leverage in dealing with local situations using basic guidelines of the National Forest. I would be more One on One communication Making it easier to resolve differences. By having the Interior Dept. so advise Forest Management Personnel It would put all Residents of Different districts be more understanding of each
- 0355-001 Conduct frequent & focused discussion sessions on specific topics & specific topics or to learn about situation work on developing an improvement Improved communications, shared responsibility, ownership R.S. & those interested in improving a situation Time, Commitment
- 0357-001 The Forest service should make a point of explaining differences between them and (illegible) & government (federal & state) management areas at every opportunity - public meetings & media contacts. 2. A. If people have an understanding, hopefully there will be more support. 3. A. Forest Service can implement - with no funding required.
- 0357-002 5. A. It relates to people's attitudes. 2nd Improvement - Provide many different forums for public involvement as possible - from public meetings, to accepting input by letters, phone calls, e-mail 3rd Improvement - Follow up after Plan is done to demonstrate to people the relationship between their input & the results in the Plan.
- 0358-004 3. A. Most all - ORV's tourism operators, other agencies, current (ILLEGIBLE) direction, past uses and decisions. 4. A. Interest groups related to these issues - Again - most all.
- 0359-001 1. A. That section of the situation map that shows the relationship between attitudes and citizens as it affects citizen understanding and support of the new Forest Plan. 2. A. The concerns are two: 1) Do citizens have a sufficient understanding of the differences between National park Service, State of Alaska Designation and National Forest management under a multiple use concept. 2) Will citizens have enough confidence that input will make a difference in the final outcome of the Plan so they can support it. 3. A. Have to consider the impact of past decisions and public involvement that have created feelings that the Forest Service hasn't listened to the Public - What is the relationship of the involvement to the decision
- 0361-001 1. A. Provide better leadership and organization in the Planning process - getting the general public involved at the "big picture" stage is a little overwhelming. Can't sink your teeth into specific relevant issues. (arrow indicating continued on back, but no copy) 2. A. Better decisions will be made, and leadership perceived.
- 0368-008 4. A. ANCSA corporations native groups not necessarily same Govt. entities user groups conservation groups outdoor rec groups hunter fishers business non-local (this is a National forest)
- 0370-001 USPS has worked very, very well with Cooper Landing over the years. Thank You. The Changes and issues are coming very fast, you do a very good job of working with us (most of the time). You hit it on much better than many other government managers.
- 0370-010 Quality of life issue and that our future economy is tied to that here, protection of nca-h-mon flora/fauna values a high priority and should be so hart to stop, crafting the tools to build healthy communities in Chugach, ways to take the beauty of a process like this evening and get it in Sterling.
- 0370-012 Balanced multi use. Avoid the North Shoe situation, with that must public concern it should never have gone
- 0372-001 1. A. 1) motorized vs. non-motorized issues 2. A. 1) user conflicts are increasing and will continue to do so if something isn't done 3. A. how motorized & non-motorized use affect other forest resources 4. A. improvements must ensure that both motorized and non-motorized uses have desirable places to go without having to worry about user conflicts & to ensure other resources aren't impacted to an undesirable condition. 1. A. motorized vs. non-motorized user conflicts will continue to increase in both the short-term and the long term. Keep existing designated areas & seasons that have been in place for motorized & non-motorized use (i.e. Turnagain Pass & Res Pass) Add additional designations of areas and seasons where conflicts currently occur (Lost Lake, Canyon Creek) and in areas conflict is expected to occur. 2. A. Keeps user conflicts in the field to a minimum. Can plan trips and know experience to expect various user groups would know which are their areas to use. 3. A. Feasible, as it is already being done on the Chugach and in the Lower 48, Recreation employees & public involvement would implement managing recreation to deter user conflicts should be a basic management function, so regular recreation funding should be used. 4. A. motorized groups that don't want to see any areas closed. Somehow, convince them that designated areas would improve their experience too. Many areas aren't suited to some uses, so closure it to those uses shouldn't be a big deal.
- 0374-008 3. A. Potential conflict between snowmobilers and cross-country and between snowmobilers and downhill skiers. 4. A. Snowmobiles, cross-country skiers I1. A. Improve interfacing w/the public and "expedite," where possible and based on the merit of a proposal, the review and approval process.
- 0378-008 All aspects of the mgmt plan can be addressed. At least concerned individuals would have somewhere to take their concerns.

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- 0393-002 3. A. Infrastructure support. 1. A. Increase visibility through interpretation and education of the value, uses, and opportunities in CNF. Long term. Support year round recreation uses w/ minimizing impact & improving infra support. 3. A. Visitor ctr. development in Valdez in partnered effort w/ Evos and other agencies 4. Q. What obstacles currently stand in the way of making this improvement? How might those obstacles be overcome 4. A. Bringing the appropriate partners together. 5. Q. How does this improvement relate to other parts and issues of the Chugach National Forest management situation? 5. A. Improves community relations, establishes resources for other interest
- 0404-019 Some user fees (parking fees or a National Forest pass similar to the NPS Golden Eagle pass) would generate revenue to be used solely within the forest where it is generated.
- 0860-111 Streamline permitting for tour operators