

SAR - DEIS - Chapter 3 - Physical Elements Only

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1. Noise. The DEIS does not contain an analysis of noise effects as far as I can determine. The level and pattern of noise is an environmental attribute that must be addressed. The planning team is well aware that increasing noise from motor vehicle, snow machine, helicopter, and boat traffic is an important public issue. The environmental analysis should contain a separate section on noise to be added to the Physical Elements section, as well as consider the incremental and cumulative effects of noise for wildlife, recreation and tourism, access management, wild and scenic rivers, and wilderness.