

SAR - Geo - KP - Non-motorized

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0003896-001

0021114-002 The new plan should include limits or elimination of snow mobiles on the Kenai Peninsula.

0021557-002 We support the proposed solutions at Seattle Creek and Twentymile River, and we support prohibition of: 1. Air boats and jet skis in all Forest waters. These are noisy, disruptive, and emit noxious fumes.

2. All motorized uses in the wilderness study areas and proposed wilderness areas.

3. Snowmachine use on the Russian River trails, Crescent and Carter Lakes and trails, Johnson Pass, and Lost Lake and trails.

4. ATV use except for a few select roads or trails.

We also support restrictions on helicopter use over areas reasonably accessible by non-motorized users starting from the road system.

0022056-005

I urge you to close, in addition to the closures in the Draft Plan, the following areas to snowmachines: North end Johnson Pass Trail, Lost Lake trail (both the north and south trails), South Fork Snow River, Fresno Ridge, slope behind Summit Lake Lodge, Carter/Crescent Lakes, Russian River Trail, Jack Bay, Sawmill Bay, and Marshall Pass.

0022209-003

0022273-005

0022279-002 Please be prudent in your actions and consider the welfare of this area and the habitat of innocent beings
Please
ban the use of snowmobile jet skis and snow machines as well These are unnecessary intrusions into the environment Thank you for listening'

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0022445-001

Institute snowmachine restrictions in Johnson Pass, Carter & Crescent lakes and Fresno Ridge.

What do you support in the proposed forest plan?

Existing snowmachine restrictions in some areas.

0022455-004

Twenty - mile river timeshare would prefer more time closed to snowmachines.

0022488-007

I recommend temporal or space closures on snowmachines for the Johnson Pass Trail (north end), Lost Lake (split season evenly - March 31 is too late); Snow River (South Fork); Fresno Ridge and 1 mile south to state land), Carter/Crescent Lake; Russian River Trail; Jack Bay; Sawmill Bay; Marshall Pass.

0022934-001

I appreciate the draft limitations an noisy, modified which use in the Chugach forest. For the good of the resource, we need to limit airboat, helicopter, snow machine and ATV use must places in the forest of special value are 20 mile, [Illegible] Creek, Seattle creek, Thomson creek & pass, Russian river, Carter/Crescent lakes, Lost Lake & Snow River in the interest of fairness much more should be limited to non-modified use.

I'm particularly concerned about ATV'S and helicopter the former due to erosion, and the latter due to their extraordinary intruiseveness.

0026453-002

Please regulate motorized vehicles in Kenai to protect the brown bears, and preserve the silence that should exist there.

0026585-001

0026651-002

Thank you for closing as many areas as possible to motorized activity. One of my favorite places is Crescent Lake, as we frequently rent the Crescent Saddle cabin over Christmas or New Years. This area is readily accessible to skiers and snowshoers, and it precisely in these accessible areas where conflicts arise.

0026743-002

I truly believe the 'Preferred Alternative' plan provides adequately for designating non-motorized areas with the closures of Kern Creek, Peterson Creek and Bear Valley.

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0026783-004 Please keep the snow machines and all terrain vehicles out of Twenty Mile River, Lost Lake, Power Creek, winter Creek, Bear Valley and Skookum Glacier.

0026986-004 I support the closure of 20 Mill valley to motorized use every other year Winney Bear & Skookum Valley should be kept non motorized. Lost Lake timeshare but closed to motorized use after Feb 15.

0027595-004 Anyway, Manitoba is a treasure and if it continues to get this kind of skiing pressure, it would be nice to close the whole east side of the highway to snowmachines. I predict that given Saturday's pressure, the east side will become another Turnagain Pass. Of course if you close the east side the snowmachiners will yell -- as they should -- and, as the president of the Anchorage snowmachiners complained about shutting snowmachines out of a telemarking area around Hatcher Pass, 'Why didn't they contact us....we could have worked out a compromise.'

0028251-001 1) 1008 non-motorized use in winner creek, twenty mile, and places drainage.
2) Retain current status of Turnagain pass motorized / non-motorized areas.
3) [Illegible] non-motorized use in [Illegible] area, extending from summit creek to hope cut-off.
4) Maximize non-motorized use

0028252-002 Balance recreation opportunities between motorized and non-motorized uses consider closing twenty mile river valley to snow machine in even years, and mandating a snow machine closure in lost lake after February 15

0028322-001 Great day at Manitoba. The skiing was fabulous.
The only down side was the crusty conditions below timberline (where's the groomer when you need one) and the sound of a snowmachine. I though this guy was right behind me going up the trail and kept pulling over to let him by. Finally I reached the 'no motorized vehicle' sign and thought I would take a stand. Turns out he was grinding around above timberline on the other side of the valley. Now, this guy could not have had a stock muffler.

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. There really isn't much to compromise when it comes to mixing skiers and 'bilers.

0029012-001 I reside on the Kenai Peninsula and am writing in support of the CNF Preferred Plan which allows the inclusion of non-motorized recreational areas in the Chugach National Forest.

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0029020-001

These areas should definitely be closed to snowmachines: North end of Johnson Pass Trail to Bench Lake, Mills Creek Rd (approach to Manitoba).

0029041-004

Allow very little if any helicopter use in summer in Girdwood area (Heli-hiking).

0029078-004

The preferred alternative shows the Lost Lake Trail closed to mountain bikes. Why? The map shows Primrose trail as being open to bikes, along with the area around Lost Lake. If any of this trail system should be closed it should be the alpine area around Lost Lake, which gets really muddy and thus heavily impacted by bikes. The lower part of the Lost Lake trail is very durable compared to the alpine area around the lake. So, if

the Lost Lake trail is to be closed to bikes, it makes sense to close the area around the lake as well, since that is where the heavy impact is occurring.

0029133-001

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0034766-001

I would like to see the following areas designated NON MOTORIZED RECREATION:

Johnson Pass Trail (north end)
Lost Lake after Feb 28
Snow River (South Fork)
slope behind Summit Lake Lodge
Fresno Ridge and south for 1 mile to state land;
Carter/Crescent Lakes
Russian River Trail
Jack Bay
Sawmill Bay
Marshall Pass

0034778-002

Close the east side of the Seward Highway to motorized winter travel from the Seward 'Y' north to the present Manitoba Mtn. closed area.

0034791-001

I am writing to voice support for additional nonmotorized winter designations within Chugach National Forest. Specifically, I would like to see Twenty Mile, Skookum, Winner Creek, Seattle Creek, Bear Valley and Lost Lake reserved for nonmotorized use. Much of Winner Creek is too narrow to accommodate both user groups safely.

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0034856-002

I support your efforts to provide for non-motorized winter recreation areas by closures to mechanized transport. I support your existing fully closed areas (e.g., Manitoba, east side of Turnagain Pass) and encourage you to continue to use that tool where warranted. I support your proposed timeshare closures, although I think Lost Lake should be closed February 15 rather than March 31.

0035387-001

I have got to speak up on this one! What is the justification in their thinking here? There are many families, such as mine, who use some or most of these areas as they are close to Anchorage!
We have 4 snow mobiles in our household and use 3 of them at most outings. This gas we buy for them has a road tax on it I believe. How much of this gas is used on other than on the roads ? Can we do something to get the taxes used where we can all benefit. Another thing that I have always wondered is why can't we switch sides at Turnagain Pass with the skiers ? It looks to be so much safer over there

0035414-002

Also, the following areas should be set aside for non-motorized recreation:
South fork of Snow River -- The slope behind the Summit Lake Lodge -- Fresno Ridge and south for one mile to the State land boundary -- Carter and Crescent Lakes basins -- Jack Bay -- Sawmill Bay -- Marshall Pass

0035883-002

Kenai Peninsula itself to protect it from an invasion of motorized vehicles such as those polluting our parks in the Lower 48.