

Sen. John Coghill

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To: Sen. John Coghill; Sen. Pete Kelly
Subject: Klutina Road

John and Pete,

I am very concerned that the legislature would let Governor Walker give away Alaskans' (and the general tourists who also currently go up and down the Klutina road) longstanding ability to enjoy activities along the Klutina Road. We have camped and fished along that roadway since the early 1970s, and David and I are appalled that the Governor and his Attorney General would consider giving this up to the Natives, who currently have the same access as all other Alaskans/the public. This is catering to a special interest, something government should never do when it doesn't benefit the rest of its citizens.

The Governor claims, according to the News-Miner, that "areas will be provided for camping and overnight parking and any fee Ahtna charges must be reasonable and similar to fees charged in State campgrounds."

That's limiting areas of currently legal public use and letting a private land owner charge a fee for legal public use.

When we go fishing, we are already dealing with a limited access along the Copper due to Native control; we can't let that happen to the Klutina as well.

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