

SCR

62

SENATE COMMITTEE REPORT

FIRST COMMITTEE OF REFERRAL

Date of 4-14 5-DAY NOTICE
IN ACCORDANCE WITH UNIFORM RULE 23

FURTHER:

**FISCAL NOTE(S) ATTACHED **
IN ACCORDANCE WITH AS 24.08.035
(see below)

4/14/88
Mr. President:

DATE TURNED INTO OFFICE _____

Resources _____ Committee considered _____ SCR 62

use of helicopters in Chugach State Park

and recommended:

[] replace with CS _____ [] same title
[] attached amendment(s) and [] new title

[x] do pass

[] do not pass

[] no recommendation

[] individual recommendations

[] further referral to _____

[] letter of intent adopted and attached

** Committee [x] attached or [] adopted fiscal note(s)
[x] zero [] fiscal impact

MEMBERS SIGNING DO PASS

OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

[Handwritten signatures]

[Handwritten signature] Do Pass
Chairman signature and recommendation

[] Committee Backup Attached

FISCAL NOTE

REQUEST:

Revision Date: 4/19/88 Agency Affected: DNR
 Title: An act relating to use of helicopters DRU: Park Management
in Chugach State Park
 Sponsor: Senate Resources Components: _____
 Requestor: Senate Resources

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 88	FY 89	FY 90	FY 91	FY 92	FY 93
PERSONAL SERVICES	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL						
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING						
CAPITAL	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
REVENUE						

FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER						
TOTAL						

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

ANALYSIS : (Attach a separate page if necessary)

Passage of this Resolution will have no fiscal impact upon the department.

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 Division: Commissioner's Office Date: 4/19/88

Approved by Commissioner: Judith H. Eady Tom Hawkins Date: 4/19/88
 Agency: Department of Natural Resources

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SCR 62 RECONSIDER USE OF HELICOPTERS IN CHUGACH STATE PARK

SCR 62 reflects a flagrant disregard for a clear and systematic planning process used in managing Alaska's state parks. Recently the Division of Parks and the Chugach State Park Citizens Advisory Board held hearings and received extensive public input on the issue of allowing helicopter landings in Chugach State Park near Eagle River.

Responders who testified at these hearings overwhelmingly opposed allowing landings even at the one site which had been under consideration by DNR. In addition, nearly 80% of those writing individual letters opposed any commercial helicopter landing activity for either recreational or sightseeing pursuits.

SCR 62 requests the Commissioner of DNR, a public official in charge of public lands to discount a mandated public process, in order to accommodate a private pursuit for profit which is opposed by local users and adjacent community residents.

AEL is opposed to SCR 62 for the following reasons:

- Appropriate public hearings on the issue were already held in four locations in the vicinity of Chugach State Park
- Public review and comment records were open on this issue for eight months, from February to October 1987.
- Use of helicopters to access the wilderness is inconsistent with other wilderness-dependent uses, primarily because of the noise impact and pressure on wildlife; low fly-overs already cause conflict.
- Access to alpine areas for physically disadvantaged people is more easily, safely, and economically achieved by the use of motor vehicles to other accessible sites in the park.

SCR 62 undermines the public input process which has clearly outlined the incompatibility of helicopter use in a natural area. It requires a duplication of effort at public expense. AEL opposes this resolution and urges DNR to stand by its conclusions published in the Chugach State Park Master Plan Amendments, October 1987.

Issue paper prepared by Patty Brown, 19 April 1988.

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March 30, 1988

The Honorable Sam Cotten
The Honorable Adelheid Herrmann
House Resources Committee
P.O. V Juneau, Alaska 99811

Dear Representatives Cotten and Herrmann:

Subject: HCR 51, Relating to the use of helicopters and snowmachines in Chugach State Park.

Background: In January, 1987, the Division of Parks received a permit application for flightseeing landings in Chugach State Park. In February, 1988, a preliminary decision was issued to solicit concessionaire proposals for this service in the park. As a result of substantial public opposition, the Division of Parks decided to consider the decision in more detail through an update of the park master plan which would entail additional public meetings. In the master plan process, eight public meetings were held, and written and oral comments solicited. As a result of this process, the decision was made to prohibit helicopter landings in Chugach State Park.

Also resulting from this process was the decision to prohibit snowmachine use in the Eagle River greenbelt. The master plan directs that a separate land management plan be completed for the Eagle River greenbelt and the question of snow machine use will again be considered.

The Department of Natural Resources would consider passage of HCR 51 direction to reconsider its decisions with respect to helicopter and snowmachine use.

We welcomes legislative direction and recommendation with respect to this difficult decision.

Sincerely,

Judith M. Brady
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Commissioner

STATE OF ALASKA
1988 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL VERSION: _____
PUBLISH DATE: _____

FISCAL NOTE

REQUEST:

Revision Date: 3/31/88
 Title: Relating to use of helicopters in Chugach State Park HCR 51 in Agency Affected: Dept. of Natural Resources
 Sponsor: House Resources BRU: Park Management
 Requestor: House Resources Components: _____

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 88	FY 89	FY 90	FY 91	FY 92	FY 93
PERSONAL SERVICES	0	0	0	0	0	0
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL						
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING						

CAPITAL	0	0	0	0	0	0
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REVENUE						
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FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND	0	0	0	0	0	0
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER						
TOTAL						

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FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
TEMPORAR /						

ANALYSIS : (Attach a separate page if necessary)

Passage of this Resolution will have no fiscal impact upon the department.

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 Agency: Department of Natural Resources

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October 23, 1987

Alaska Department of Natural Resources
Ms. Judy Brady, Commissioner
P.O. Box M
Juneau, AK 99811

Dear Commissioner Brady;

We wish this letter to serve as a "Formal Request for Reconsideration" of the prohibition of helicopter landings on the edge of Chugach State Park for the purpose of helicopter flight-seeing. We offer two site-specific areas for consideration we feel could be utilized without effecting the environment, the park or its users.

TWIN PEAKS

This site is located on Chugach State Park land on the periphery of the park adjacent to a military reserve. The land is on a long term lease to the Anchorage Ski Club and is known as Arctic Valley or Alpenglow. The site is depicted on the map (see attached) is 3900' above sea level. Helicopter access to the area would be over the military reserve where no hikers or skiers are permitted. Over flights of the military area are permitted. We have flown over this exact area well over 400 times this past summer and have received no complaints.

MT. GORDON LYON

This site was our original choice. The area, as quoted by Chugach State Park officials has little if any impact upon the environment. The area is 400' inside the park. It has been proven by Chugach State Park Citizens Advisory Board members particularly Fish and Game, that there would be little or no impact on wildlife in the area as long as flight restrictions were adhered to. The site is adjacent to a known aircraft entry/exit corridor from the Anchorage Area. It would be under strict control with regard to flight altitudes and approach/departure routes and, again, has no over flight of park land since it is adjacent to the military reserve.

This company complies with the CODE OF ETHICS of the Helicopter Association of America.

Member of the Alaska Air Carriers Association.



Commissioner Brady
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The State of Alaska Attorney Generals Office advised the Department on May 1, 1987 that the Director has discretion to issue permits for the helicopter access (see enclosed). As a matter of policy, the directors office has chosen not to do this.

The Park has evolved from an area that "at one time you could apply for a permit" to "Directors Discretion" to "Prohibition". The negative attitude of the majority of the Chugach State Park Citizens Advisory Board is paralleled by the Attorney General's letter. It appears more time and effort is being spent to keep helicopters from this activity than is being spent to see if it is a compatible use or even discuss it.

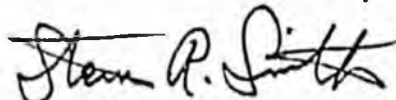
It is our desire during Re-evaluation that you take into consideration the non-negative impact this will have on the park since we would be landing only on the exterior edge of the periphery and the flight paths involved would have a zero impact and no park overflight.

In your master plan amendments you mention "flightseeing over-flights should be minotored." "This information should be retained to help provide an improved information base for policy development and decision making concerning helicopter activities in the park." We feel this can be accomplished immediately. Allow us to form an Advisory Council, reporting to the director. The council would be made up of two members from the Aviation Industry and two members of the Concerned Public. Their goal would be to investigate the possibility of using the above sites as landing areas and setting strict guidelines that would need to be followed. Our position is, and has been, to find a method of performing helitour flightseeing safely and use-compatible with regards to all concerned. If we can, at least, try to see if it will work by setting guidelines ahead of time, then testing them for a season then we will know for sure if the helitour landings are feasible. If they are not, then we can say we tried every avenue and used all available input to determine the feasibility of such landings.

We urgently request a meeting in Juneau or Anchorage at your earliest convenience to discuss our request for reconsideration.

Sincerely,

ALASKA HELICOPTERS, INC.



Steven R. Smith
Director of Operations

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Enclosures

Commissioner Brady
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** With one exception (Girdwood -- where support still exceeds opposition by 15%) there is at least 2:1 support for development and utilization of public lands for a wide variety of visitor and local usage...

	Percentage Generally/ Strongly Support	Percentage Generally/ Strongly Oppose
Waterfront development/ cruise ship docking.....	87%	10%
Playing fields and grassy areas.....	74%	22%
Develop Eagle River ski resort.....	73%	21%
Complete Coastal Trail..	69%	21%
'Copter tours and landing pad in Chugach State Park	61%	31%
Golf course and summer recreation in Girdwood...	53%	38%

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October 15, 1987

Re: Update of Chugach State Park Master Plan

Dear Interested Alaskan,

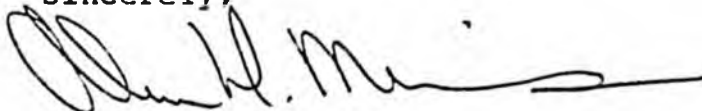
The attached amendments to the Chugach State Park Master Plan have been adopted by the Department of Natural Resources.

We appreciate the time you have taken to provide input into the amendment process.

For your information our analysis of public comment is also attached.

Should you have any questions or comments regarding this matter please feel free to contact me or John Thiede at 762-2617. Your continued interest in the management of Chugach State Park is appreciated.

Sincerely,



Al Meiners
Southcentral Regional Manager

attachments: 1) 1987 amendments to Chugach State Park Master Plan
2) Analysis of Public Comment

Chugach State Park Master Plan Amendments

The Chugach State Park Master Plan (prepared by the Alaska Division of Parks, DNR, February 1980) is amended to include the following:

Resort Development

Resort development, with proper controls, is compatible with the purposes of Chugach State Park. Resorts shall not be located in the parks' wilderness zone. Prior to allowing for the development of a resort, the division shall conduct appropriate environmental and recreational impact reviews as required by AS 41.21.027 (park concession law). The results of these reviews shall be used to develop mitigation measures to protect other park values.

A downhill ski resort may be developed at the Eagle River site identified in the report by the division titled Comparison of Potential Alpine Ski Areas in Chugach State Park: An Analysis of Terrain Capability provided the requirements of AS 41.21.027 and other measures deemed appropriate by the division are met. Expansion of a resort developed at the Eagle River site into the South Fork of Eagle River or into the Highland Mountain East and West sites also identified in the above study, may not occur until potential conflicts with fish and wildlife, water quality, community growth and development and values, land ownership (i.e. military lands) are adequately dealt with through additional community involvement and environmental/social impact studies. However, the awarding of a park concession contract for the Eagle River site may include an option for the concessionaire to expand into these areas if the above work is completed and found by the division to be in conformance with AS 41.21.027 and other standards as determined necessary by the director. Boundaries of the sites identified in the above study may be adjusted by the director. The division may require impact and mitigation studies to be prepared by the bidders or concessionaire.

Alpenglow, an existing ski area in the park formerly called Arctic Valley, may be expanded provided the above conditions are met. Expansion of the area into the Ship Creek Wilderness Zone is expressly prohibited by this plan. Also, future developments at the resort shall be undertaken to minimize visual and noise impacts being projected into the Ship Creek Wilderness Zone.

Up to two additional ski resorts may be allowed in the non-wilderness portions of the Eagle River and Eklutna-Peters Creek

Planning Units. Any sites considered should be among those identified in the division's study of potential ski areas. However, the director may consider other sites if they possess suitable terrain and have a reasonable potential to comply with the requirements of AS 41.21.027 and other requirements and standards established by the division. If possible the division should begin snow surveys and wildlife studies of these sites to assist in any future decisions about these areas.

Other types of resorts or recreational facilities, such as an environmental education center or nordic skiing center, may be considered on a case by case basis, according to a set of general compatibility criteria under AS.41.21.027 and summarized as follows:

- implements or is consistent with the park's purposes, as specified in its enabling legislation and this plan;
- enhances public use and enjoyment of the park while maintaining a high quality environment and recreational opportunities;
- provides services not feasible or appropriate for the state to provide;
- is based on a public need and desire;
- accommodates ordinary uses, at no cost;
- is not more appropriately located on private lands inside the park or on other lands outside the park.
- is not to be located in a wilderness zone,
- will not result in unacceptable impacts on park resources or existing recreational use of the park,
- no substantial impacts to adjoining wilderness areas,
- the facility and its operation is designed to minimize scenic and visual quality impacts,
- meets other requirements of AS 41.21.027 and other requirements as established by the division.

Helicopter Use

The landing of helicopters by private parties for recreational or scenic access or other activities in the park is prohibited. Commercial helicopters may not be chartered for general recreational access to the park.

The director may authorize helicopter landings for management purposes. Management purposes include: conducting or supporting scientific research including wildlife inventories, maintaining communications facilities which have been located in the park under special use permit, search and rescue operations, law enforcement, park ranger patrols, park facility development and maintenance. To the greatest extent possible, fixed wing aircraft should be used for these purposes because of their lower noise impact. Also, non-aircraft methods of accomplishing these projects or activities shall be considered before fixed-wing or

helicopter aircraft are used, particularly in wilderness areas.

The director may authorize helicopter landings for special events such as commercial filming or community festivals. In all cases, special event landings will not be allowed in or within 1 mile of a wilderness zone. The director shall consult with the Chugach State Park Citizens Advisory Board prior to issuing a permit. In issuing a permit for special events, the director shall take reasonable steps to avoid:

- landings in or low level flights over areas or at times of visitor use of the park,
- low level overflights of residential areas,
- disturbance to wildlife,
- landings in or low level flights over park wilderness areas,
- flights that will constitute a significant threat to public safety, or,
- landings that would be more appropriately located on lands outside the park or private lands within the park,
- other impacts which the division or director determines are significant.

The division shall, to the extent staff and budget allows, monitor and record authorized and unauthorized helicopter activities in the park. Flightseeing overflights should also be monitored. This information should be retained to help provide an improved information base for policy development and decision-making concerning helicopter activities in the park.

The division should focus law enforcement efforts on unauthorized landings in the park. Further the division should begin to work with the FAA, military, pilots associations and other land management agencies to resolve or reduce conflicts between aerial and ground users of the park.

Eagle River Greenbelt

The division shall establish a planning team to develop a detailed management plan for the Lower Eagle River Valley (Eagle River Greenbelt) planning unit. The team shall be comprised of representatives from the park's citizen advisory board, local community councils and organizations, state and local agencies, and others. The Lower Eagle River Planning Unit is established from within the existing Eagle River Planning Unit to focus planning and management efforts on this important portion of the park. It is comprised of the lands acquired by the state from Eklutna, Inc., in a land exchange and existing park lands in T13N, R1E, S8. The existing park lands in T13N, R1E, S8 that are to be included in the Lower Eagle River Planning Unit include all lands in the valley bottom and a portion of the valley sidewall from the former Eklutna, Inc., land to the Eagle River Visitor Center. The planning team shall prepare a base map that determines the exact boundaries of the planning

unit. The unit may be renamed by the director after receiving nominations from the park advisor board.

Until such time as a management plan is prepared for the unit, the division shall adopt the Municipality of Anchorage's plan for the greenbelt on an interim basis.

Interim management of the unit under the municipality's plan and the development of the management plan shall adhere to the following policies:

1) Trails, shall be developed as determined appropriate in the detailed management plan for the area. Recreational access sites may be developed as identified in the MOA plan or the management plan which is to be prepared. When possible, facilities shall be sited to be buffered or screened from view of the river. The Eagle River Campground may be expanded if appropriate.

2) Facilities will be phased so as to satisfy existing recreational demand and anticipated demands of the near-term future.

3) Motorized recreational activities (including boats, snowmachines and ATVs) are prohibited.

4) Commercial activities shall be limited in number through concession contracts rather than through park use permits. Activities related to the possible development of a downhill ski area may be allowed but shall be controlled to insure that the natural and recreational resource values of the unit are maintained. The management plan shall determine the carrying capacity of the river for both commercial and non-commercial uses.

5) Pursuant to AS 41.21.022, the division shall seek the concurrence of the Board of Game to close the unit to hunting and designate it as a wildlife viewing area. The division and the planning team shall make wildlife viewing and wildlife education a goal of the area.

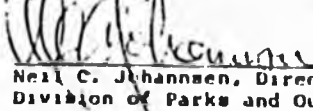
6) Motorized vehicle access on the existing 109 (Homestead Road) right-of-way is allowed for use by local residents and others. The road may be relocated, redesigned and upgraded so long as natural and recreational values of the unit are maintained. Special park use permits may be issued under 11 AAC 18.010 (B) to provide nearby landowners with access to the 109 road. Authorizations for public utilities to be located in or across parklands and water shall be under the permitting process authorized by 11 AAC 18.010. The division shall work closely with DOT/PE and the Municipality of Anchorage to insure that the proposed Eagle Loop Road connection to Hland Road/Glen Highway crossing of the greenbelt minimizes adverse impacts on the unit.

7) Modification of the river to enhance boater safety or improve whitewater kayaking should only be considered after a thorough

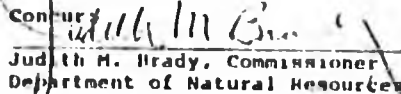
review of impacts and coordination with appropriate agencies (i.e. ADFLG, Corps of Engineers, Municipality of Anchorage, etc.). This issue should be addressed during the development of the management plan.

ANALYSIS OF PUBLIC COMMENTS ON
CHUGACH STATE PARK MASTER PLAN UPDATE ALTERNATIVES

Approved by


Neil C. Johannsen, Director
Division of Parks and Outdoor Recreation

9 OCT 87
Date

Concurred

Judith M. Brady, Commissioner
Department of Natural Resources

9 OCT 87
Date

The following is a summary of both verbal comments, made either at hearings held in Eagle River, Wasilla, Girdwood and Anchorage, or written comments sent to the Division of Parks and Outdoor Recreation. Comments are divided into three groups representing the three areas of concern; Ski Area Development; Alternatives for Helicopter use; and, Alternatives of Use and Management for the Eagle River Greenbelt. It is further divided into group comments, individual comments, form letter comments, and finally a grand total of all comments (each group comment receiving one tally).

(1) Ski Area Development

Summary of written and verbal comments made by groups. If an individual gave an oral presentation stating the preferred chosen alternatives and later the Division received written comment from the group stating the same chosen alternatives the groups comments were counted only once.

Group Comments

14 individuals wrote and/or testified on behalf of groups regarding ski area development.

Alternative:	A	B	C
Responses:	5	1	8
Percentage:	36%	7%	57%

Alternative A Groups included:

- Alaska Survival
- Alaska Wildlife Alliance
- Sierra Club
- Alaska Center for the Environment
- Friends of Chugach State Park

Alternative B Groups included:

- Resource Development Council (B*)

Alternative C Groups included:

- Carrs Quality Centers (B/C Don't close the door)
- Eklutna, Inc.
- Re/Max of Eagle River, Inc.

- Eagle River Chamber of Commerce
 - Chuquiak-Eagle River Chamber of Commerce
- (Alternative C groups continued)

- Chris Nyman, Alpine Park Resort
- Alaska Visitor & Convention Bureau
- Eagle River Community Council

Individual Comments - Oral Testimony

60 individuals, representing themselves, commented on ski area development.

Alternatives:	A	B	C
Responses:	19	6	35
Percentage:	32%	10%	58%

Individual Comments - Written Testimony

25 persons wrote individual letters commenting on ski area development.

Alternatives:	A	B	C
Responses:	17	2	6
Percentage:	68%	8%	24%

91 persons signed form letters commenting on ski area development.

Alternatives:	A	B	C
Responses:	10	0	81
Percentage:	11%	-	89%

116 persons commented on ski area development by either an individually written letter or by signing a form letter.

Alternatives:	A	B	C
Responses:	27	2	87
Percentage:	23%	2%	75%

Grand Total - All Responses received on ski area development

190 responses on ski area development.

(Grand Total - All Responses on ski area development - cont.)

Alternatives:	A	B	C
Responses:	51	9	130
Percentage:	27%	5%	68%

Reasons FOR Ski Area Development included:

- Economic boost to local and statewide economy
- Ski areas have proven to be compatible with the with the environment in the "lower 48"
- It would provide facilities not presently available in Alaska
- There would be economic returns to the Parks Division
- Could help attract the Winter Olympics to Anchorage
- Broadens a stable economic base for the state

Reasons AGAINST Ski Area Development included:

- The natural zone of the park is suppose to accommodate low impact forms of recreation
- Wildlife impacts will be irreparable
- It will erode the values that make parks special
- Other areas not designated park lands are available for ski area development (i.e. Hatcher Pass)
- Water quality will be threatened

(2) Alternatives for Helicopter Use

Group Comments

11 individuals wrote and/or testified on behalf of groups regarding alternatives for helicopter use.

Alternatives:	A	B	C
Responses:	7	1	1
Percentage:	64%	27%	9%

Alternative A Groups Included:

- Alaska Survival
- Kirk Kanner's and Kayaker's, Inc.
- Alaska Wildlife Alliance
- Sierra Club
- Alaska Center for the Environment

- Kirk Kanzer's and Kayaker's, Inc.
- Friends of Chugach State Park

Alternative B Groups Included:

- Resource Development Council (10 One yr. trial)
- Chugach-Eagle River Chamber of Commerce
- Alaska Visitor and Convention Bureau

Alternative C Groups Included:

- Alaska Helicopters

Individual Comments - Oral Testimony

27 individuals, representing themselves, commented on Alternative Helicopter Use.

Alternatives:	A	B	C
Responses:	7	5	5
Percentage:	63%	18.5%	18.5%

Individual Comments - Written Testimony

19 persons wrote individual letters regarding Alternatives for Helicopter Use.

Alternatives:	A	B	C
Responses:	15	2	2
Percentage:	79%	10.5%	10.5%

66 persons signed form letters regarding Alternatives for Helicopter Use.

Alternatives:	A	B	C
Responses:	0	0	66
Percentage:	0%	0%	100%

85 persons commented on Alternatives for Helicopter Use by either an individually written letter or by signing a form letter.

Alternatives:	A	B	C
Responses:	15	2	68
Percentage:	18%	2%	80%

(Alternatives for Helicopter Use continued)

Grand Total* - All responses received on Alternatives for Helicopter Use

124 responses received regarding Alternatives for Helicopter Use

Alternatives:	A	B	C
Responses:	39	10	74
Percentage:	32%	8%	60%

Reasons FOR Helicopter Landing sites included:

- Does not fly over private homes
- Potential economic returns for the Park
- Gives the handicapped and elderly access to the park
- Could allow locals to cheaply get into the park

Reasons AGAINST Helicopter Landing sites included:

- Irreversible effect on wildlife
- Low stimulus to economy
- Benefits few people
- Elderly and handicapped can drive to areas and get similar views
- Integrity of the park is threatened
- Does not fit in with Park philosophy
- Helicopters can hover outside Park boundary for same view
- Negative effect on other visitors in the Park

(1) Alternatives for Eagle River Greenbelt

Group Response

7 individuals wrote and/or testified on behalf of groups regarding Alternatives for Eagle River Greenbelt.

(Eagle River Greenbelt - Group response continued)

Alternatives:	A	B	C
Responses:	1	4	2

Percentage: 14% 57% 29%

Individual Comment - Oral Testimony

21 individuals commented on Alternatives for Eagle River Greenbelt.

Alternatives:	A	B	C
Responses:	2	13	6
Percentage:	1%	62%	20%

Individual Comment - Written Testimony

14 persons wrote individual letters regarding Alternatives for Eagle River Greenbelt. No form letters were received.

Alternatives:	A	B	C
Responses:	0	6	8
Percentage:	0%	43%	57%

***Grand Total* - All Responses regarding Alternatives for Eagle River Greenbelt**

42 responses were received regarding Alternatives for Eagle River Greenbelt.

Alternatives:	A	B	C
Responses:	1	23	16
Percentage:	7%	55%	38%

Reasons FOR high intensity Use and Management of Greenbelt (Alternative A) include:

- Provide a wide array of recreational opportunities for all
- Continued use of snowmachines

Reasons AGAINST high intensity Use and Management of Greenbelt (Alternative A) include:

- Deterioration of water quality
- Damage to existing trails

- Spoilage of river experience for the majority of users
- Motorized vehicles will cause serious conflicts for users of the greenbelt

Reasons FOR moderate intensity Use and Management of Greenbelt (Alternative B) included:

- Provide trail system for users
- Natural values will be maintained

Reasons AGAINST moderate intensity Use and Management of Greenbelt (Alternative B) included:

- Destroy the natural conditions that now exist
- Displace wildlife

Reasons FOR low intensity Use and Management of Greenbelt (Alternative C) included:

- Will keep the area as close to a wild area as possible
- Will not disturb or displace wildlife
- More closely follows park philosophy

Reasons AGAINST low intensity Use and Management of Greenbelt (Alternative C) included:

- Little or no access
- Would allow experience only to a few

Conclusion

This document will not be used as a "vote" or "total count". Many considerations will be used in helping Division staff formulate final alternatives to propose to the Director. Questions regarding the weight of responses or lack of responses will be taken into consideration (i.e. group responses vs. individual letters, or form letters vs. individually written letters, or oral testimony vs. written testimony, or explanations of why individuals preferred certain alternatives over others vs. a response with no explanation, and finally, persons who responded vs. persons who did not or could not respond).

(2) Alternatives for Helicopter Use

Group Comments

11 individuals wrote and/or testified on behalf of groups regarding alternatives for helicopter use.

Alternatives:	A	B	C
Responses:	7	1	1
Percentage:	63%	23%	9%

Alternative A Groups Included:

- Alaska Seabirds
- Beth Knowler's and Kayaker's, Inc.
- Alaska Wildlife Alliance
- Sierra Club
- Alaska Center for the Environment

- Beth Knowler's and Kayaker's, Inc.
- Friends of Chugach State Park

Alternative B Groups Included:

- Resource Development Council 10+ year trail
- Chugach-Edie River Chapter of Commerce
- Alaska Visitor and Conservation Bureau

Alternative C Groups Included:

- Alaska Helicopters

Individual Comments - Oral Testimony

17 individuals, representing themselves, commented on Alternative Helicopter Use.

Alternatives:	A	B	C
Responses:	17	5	5
Percentage:	63%	18.5%	18.5%

Individual Comments - Written Testimony

19 persons wrote individual letters regarding Alternatives for Helicopter Use.

Alternatives:	A	B	C
Responses:	15	2	2
Percentage:	79%	10.5%	10.5%

26 persons signed form letters regarding Alternatives for Helicopter Use.

Alternatives:	A	B	C
Responses:	20	6	6
Percentage:	77%	23%	23%

25 persons commented on Alternatives for Helicopter Use by either an individually written letter or by signing a form letter.

Alternatives:	A	B	C
Responses:	15	7	6
Percentage:	60%	28%	24%

Alternatives for Helicopter Use continued:

Overall Total: 231 responses received on Alternatives for Helicopter Use*

122 responses received regarding Alternatives for Helicopter Use

Alternatives:	A	B	C
Responses:	14	10	7
Percentage:	12%	8%	6%

Reasons FOR Helicopter landing sites included:

- Used not by some private homes
- Potential economic returns for the Park
- Given the handicapped and elderly access to the park
- Could allow locals to cheaply get into the park

Reasons AGAINST Helicopter landing sites included:

- Irreversible effect on wildlife
- Low stimulus to economy
- Benefits few people
- Elderly and handicapped can drive to areas and get quality views
- Integrity of the park is threatened
- Does not fit in with Park philosophy
- Helicopters can hover outside Park boundary for some view
- Negative effect on other visitors in the Park

(6) Alternatives for Eagle River Greenbelt

Group Comments

7 individuals wrote and/or testified on behalf of groups regarding Alternatives for Eagle River Greenbelt.

(Eagle River Greenbelt - oral testimony continued)

Alternatives:	A	B	C
Responses:	1	4	2

TESTIMONY - SENATE RESOURCES COMMITTEE - APRIL 20, 1988

ALASKA HELICOPTERS, INC.

STEVEN R. SMITH

Chairpersons, Committee Members, Ladies and Gentlemen.

I appreciate the opportunity to appear before you today.

In front of you is the cumulation of approximately twelve (12) months of meetings and correspondence with the DNR, CSP and CSPCAB.

I am here today out of a frustration one feels when they have done everything reasonably expected of, under the law, to attain a landing area for helitour purposes on the edge, the periphery of Chugach State Park.

In our initial proposal, we wanted our request for a landing area to stand on its own merit. However, it was formulated at a time when the Eagle River Green Belt and proposed Rogner Ski Development required changes to the C.S.P. Master Plan. Both of those issues were under extreme scrutiny.

We were advised by C.S.P. officials that our proposal would be grouped with the other two. It is important to note prior to the Green Belt and Rogner Proposals the C.S.P. Master Plan allowed for helicopter permits. After hearings were conducted, the Green Belt and Rogner Proposals were given a green light. The helicopter proposal had not only been given a "NO" but now they were forbidden in the park. This all being done without any justifiable evidence that helicopters are incompatible, as multiple use, on the outer or periphery zone of the park.

D.N.R. claims to base their evidence on the results of the meetings they conducted and the input or responses received. Yet review of their responses reflects a far larger percentage in favor of the helicopter landings than opposed. Independent surveys conducted by Dittman Research Corporation for the ACVB conclude 61 - 65% of those polled think helicopter landings are appropriate. DNR's response sheets, of which you have a copy show the grand total to be 68% for and 32% against. Because of these figures, and the approach we have taken regarding this issue, we feel we have not been treated objectively with regards to this use of the park.

Testimony
April 20, 1988
Page 2

Both proposals as indicated in the October 23, 1987 letter to Commissioner Brady are clean, non-obtrusive and environmentally sound. Impact on total environment would be zero to negligible. The Twin Peaks proposal is a prime example of how we can increase tourism, increase our economy, utilize a proven resource, complete it with private enterprise and involve no government spending. It also affords the possibilities of revenue for the CSP System.

It is evident that more physical numbers are for this use of the park than against it. The DNR's decision leads one to believe they rate public input. If the DNR weights the method of receipt of the public input (example: public testimony vs letters vs form letters) then it penalizes civically and professionally minded people, if they express their position other than by public appearance or formal letter. In an election "Is a vote by absentee ballot less significant than if completed at a balloting site?"

I am asking for a clarification on the intended use of the periphery zone of the park. Did the Legislature intend to prohibit this possible use of the park?

We believe SCR #62 is justified. We feel it is in appropriate that a park, set aside for wilderness, natural area and multiple use not be used for those intended purposes.

Since the park's inception in 1970 and the original master plan of the early 1980's the plan has been ammended and regulated to no longer allow anyone other than a hiker or skier to utilize the park. No other level of use is allowed.

If Federal Lands, under the most restrictive regulations, still allow helicopter permits why not state land - where the issue of wilderness or natural zones of the park are not even the issue.

Allow us, under strict guidelines, to show this can be done in an environmentally sound manner.

Thank you.



Alaska Environmental Lobby, Inc.

P.O. Box 22151 Juneau, Alaska 99802

907-586-2345

SCR 62 RECONSIDER USE OF HELICOPTERS IN CHUGACH STATE PARK

SCR 62 reflects a flagrant disregard for a clear and systematic planning process used in managing Alaska's state parks. Recently the Division of Parks and the Chugach State Park Citizens Advisory Board held hearings and received extensive public input on the issue of allowing helicopter landings in Chugach State Park near Eagle River.

Responders who testified at these hearings overwhelmingly opposed allowing landings even at the one site which had been under consideration by DNR. In addition, nearly 80% of those writing individual letters opposed any commercial helicopter landing activity for either recreational or sightseeing pursuits.

SCR 62 requests the Commissioner of DNR, a public official in charge of public lands to discount a mandated public process, in order to accommodate a private pursuit for profit which is opposed by local users and adjacent community residents.

AEL is opposed to SCR 62 for the following reasons:

- Appropriate public hearings on the issue were already held in four locations in the vicinity of Chugach State Park
- Public review and comment records were open on this issue for eight months, from February to October 1987.
- Use of helicopters to access the wilderness is inconsistent with other wilderness-dependent uses, primarily because of the noise impact and pressure on wildlife; low fly-overs already cause conflict.
- Access to alpine areas for physically disadvantaged people is more easily, safely, and economically achieved by the use of motor vehicles to other accessible sites in the park.

SCR 62 undermines the public input process which has clearly outlined the incompatibility of helicopter use in a natural area. It requires a duplication of effort at public expense. AEL opposes this resolution and urges DNR to stand by its conclusions published in the Chugach State Park Master Plan Amendments, October 1987.

Issue paper prepared by Patty Brown, 19 April 1988.

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ALASKA AIR CARRIERS ASSOCIATION

RESOLUTION #2

WHEREAS, Chugach State Park was created to provide the public with a variety of recreation oppcrtunities; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Natural Resources has refused to permit any form of helicopter tour to Chugach State Park; and

WHEREAS, there are no reasonable and affordable opportunities for Anchorage based helicopter tours to alpine areas other than Chugach State Park; and

WHEREAS, nothing in the statute which created Chugach State Park precludes the use of helicopters for access to the Park; and

WHEREAS, helicopter tours are allowed under a permit system in federal wilderness, which is the most restrictive form of federal land management; and

WHEREAS, reasonable conditions and limitations have been offered to reduce the impact of helicopter tours to other users of the Park; and

WHEREAS, the hearing on the decision to reject helicopter use of the Park was held at the same time as the decision to allow a ski development within the Park, which was a much larger issue,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Alaska Air Carriers Association strongly endorses HCR 51 and urges its passage this session.

BY: Bob Engelbrecht DATE: 3/21/88
Bob Engelbrecht
Executive Committee
Alaska Air Carriers Association

We Alaskans

THE ANCHORAGE DAILY NEWS MAGAZINE

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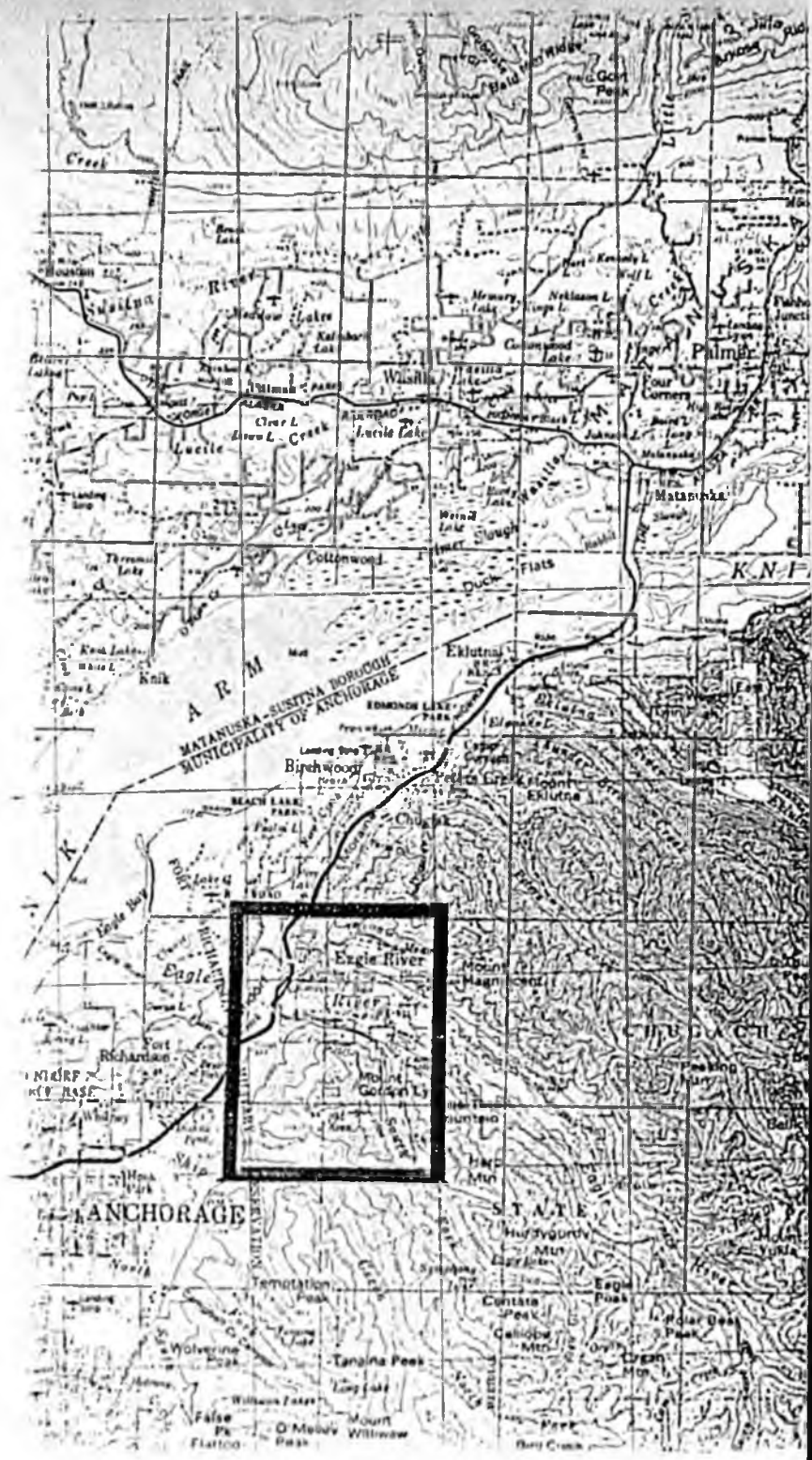
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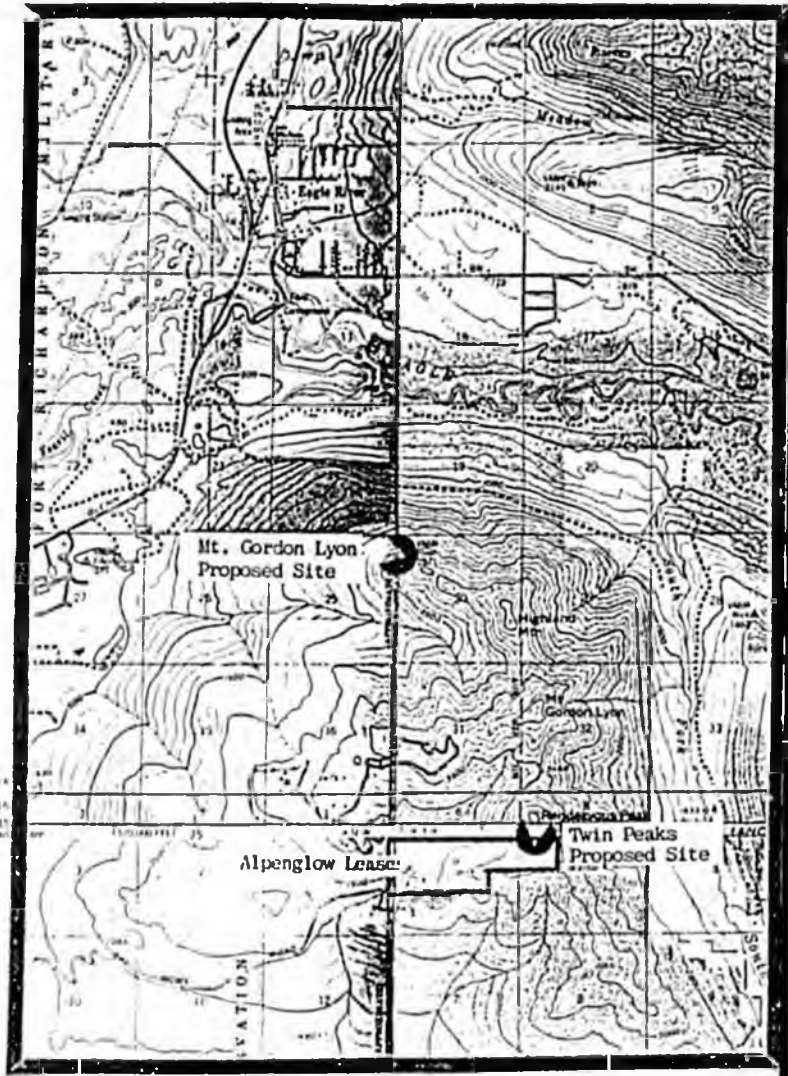
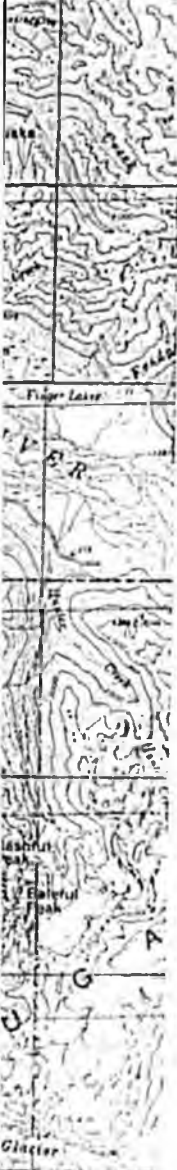
Parks Boss Neil Johannsen



Anchorage Daily News/Bob Halinen

Neil Johannsen, Alaska's state parks director, surveys the Eagle River Valley from a helicopter.





ATs

Alaska Travel Specialists, Inc.

March 30, 1988



House Resource Committee
Rep. Sam Cotten/Adelheid Hermann
Co-Chairman
PO Box V
Juneau, Alaska 99811

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Dear Rep. Cotten,

This letter is to voice my approval for Resolution No. 51 in allowing landing areas to be designated on the edge of Chugach State Park.

If other developments are allowed to take place inside the park, then this landing area is quite reasonable. Federal Lands even allow this type of operation, so why not a State Park?

I like the idea of the park being put to multiple uses, and this would open it up even more for other people to enjoy in a different way. It would open up other ways of tourism to prosper in our great state!

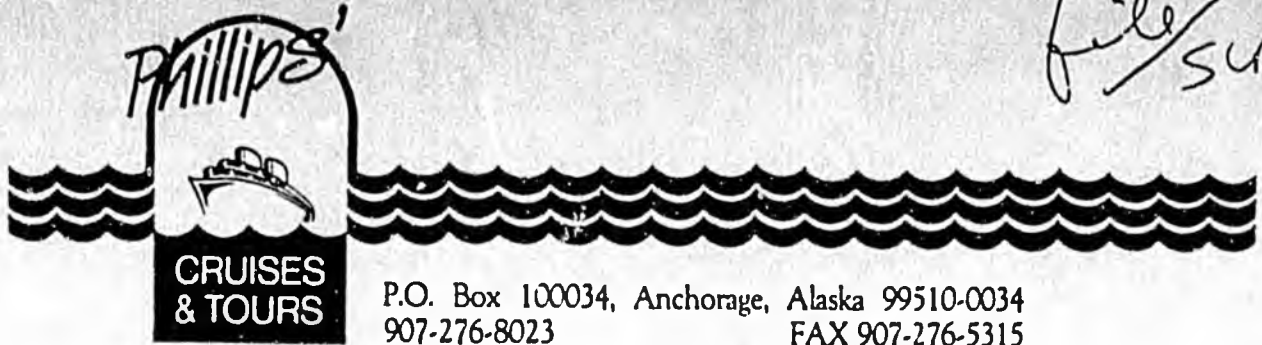
Thank you for your attention to this letter.

Sincerely,

Les Reynolds
President



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March 30, 1988

Representative Sam Cotten
Co-Chairman
House Resource Committee
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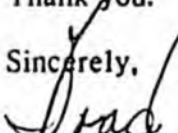
The Honorable Sam Cotten:

It is my understanding that you have before your committee, HCR-51 and further that you anticipate hearings on this measure on April 4, 1988.

Although our company would not directly benefit from favorable consideration of this resolution, we fully understand how the entire tourist industry and consequently, the entire state benefits when we make it possible for visitors to visit new attractions. I have spent 40 years in Alaska helping develop new attractions for our visitors and I strongly support this resolution because I don't believe that any detrimental effects can be anticipated.

Chugach State Park is a scenic attraction and visitors and Alaskans should be able to enjoy it. The Feds do it and so should we. Count me for a strong YEA.
Thank you.

Sincerely,


BRAD PHILLIPS
President

The originators of Alaska's "26 Glaciers In One Day" cruise.



Alaska Helicopters, Inc.

April 2, 1988

Representative Sam Cotten
Chairman House Resources Committee
Alaska State Legislature
Juneau, AK 99811

Dear Representative Cotten,

In regards to HCR #51, I would like to state my support for the reconsideration of the use of helicopters within Chugach State Park. I base my statement on two major concerns:

First, when the issue was originally considered it was a secondary issue included in the public hearing process along with the Eagle River ski area proposal. I feel that it was treated more as an attachment and ultimately as a trade off than an issue considered on its own merits and demerits.

Second, that the issue of helicopter access in Chugach State Park is inherently biased as a local matter due to the nature of the populace who would actually benefit. The very people who would benefit are those persons who are the future Alaska visitors and not the residents of the area who have little or no interest and thus oppose the matter. The market for helitour adventures is over 90% cruise only or cruise/tour passengers. These potential visitors do not have a voice. It is only these "absentee" persons and those in the tour industry who are the real proponents of the proposed program. Thus, the public hearing process allows only those who are sympathetic to Alaska Helicopters' effort and the opponents who have no direct benefits to derive from such an activity. The indirect "trickle-down" benefit is a hard sell in such a case.

The second concern is one which I see as a very difficult problem to address in light of the public process. I feel it is a valid concern and hope that the Committee sees it as such also.

Sincerely,

L. Frederick Dure
Marketing
HeliTour Alaska Program/Alaska Helicopters, Inc.

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April 1, 1988

House Resource Committee
Representative Sam Cotten/Adelheid Herman Co-Chairman
P.O. Box V
Juneau, AK 99811

Dear Mr. Cotten:

The tourism industry has been growing steadily each year. With such growth, additional adventurous tours would be very beneficial.

Alaska Helicopters, Inc. has a proposed itinerary to land on the edge of Chugach State Park with an air tour. It seems that one or two areas of the Park would be permissible, and environmentally sound to land a helicopter.

One item that baffles me is the fact that if Federal Lands, under the most restrictive regulations allow this type of operation, why not state lands.


I feel such a program (itinerary including landing at the Park) will be an enhancement to those tours currently offered. Any help you could lend would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Megan Mellor

Megan Mellor
Sales Supervisor

cc: Harry Wheeler
John Kreilkamp
Dale V. Sellin

ROYAL VIKING LINE 

750 Battery Street San Francisco, California 94111 Phone (415) 398-8000

31 March 1988

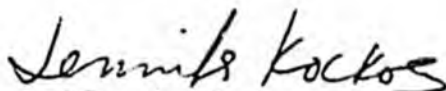
House Resource Committee
Representatives Sam Cotton/Adelheid Hermann Co-Chairmen
P.O. Box V
Juneau, AK 99811

I am writing to you in support of House Concurrent Resolution No. 51, relating to the use of helicopters and snowmachines in Chugach State Park.

A landing strip for helicopters on the edge of the park would better serve our passengers by providing another tour option. It would seem reasonable to assume that such an area could be found that is both convenient and environmentally sound.

I urge you to pass this legislation in a timely fashion.

Sincerely,



Jennifer Kockos
Manager, Shore and Land Programs
Royal Viking Line

BJS/

cc: Steven Smith, Dir. of Operations
Heli-Tour Alaska



March 30, 1988

House Resource Committee
Representatives Sam Cotten/Adelheid Hermann Co-Chairman
P.O. Box V
Juneau, Alaska 99811

Dear Sirs:

As a major tour operator in Alaska, we encourage the development of a great variety of attractions in Alaska. We believe that the more variety of attractions available in Alaska the more visitors will be attracted to visit "the Great Land". The Anchorage area in particular needs additional quality attractions to continue to build our visitor base and tourism employment.

It is for this reason that I am writing to support the request by Alaska Helicopters to allow landing area on the edge of Chugach State Park.

As I am sure you are aware the helicopter trip to Mendenhall Glacier has become a major attraction in Juneau and they have been operating safely for several years and with a minimum of environmental impact.

I don't believe that the Chugach service would develop to anywhere near the volume that has happened in Juneau. We believe strongly that such a service could be operated in a safe and environmentally sound way while adding to the attractiveness of Anchorage and Alaska as a visitors destination.

We are in no way involved in the helicopter or air business other than as being an agent to sell such sightseeing tours.

If I can be of any further assistance please let me know.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Tom Tougas", written over a light-colored background.

Thomas C. Tougas
Vice President
TRANSPORTATION DIVISION

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March 31, 1988

House Resources Committee
Representatives Sam Cotten/
Adelheid Hermann
P.O. Box V
Juneau, AK 99811

Dear Rep. Cotten and Rep. Hermann:

I am writing to urge your support of House Resources Concurrent Resolution No. 51, relating to the use of helicopters in Chugach State Park. As operators of a sightseeing service in Anchorage and a tour operator bringing many visitors to the Anchorage area, we welcome the expansion of opportunities for visitors in this area.

The Chugach Range skyline east of Anchorage provides a very attractive backdrop to the city, but opportunities to actually use the mountains and Chugach State Park are very limited to the casual visitor. Helicopter tours to the peaks would provide a thrilling experience to a limited number of visitors, and need not disturb the natural ambiance of the park, if chosen landing areas were carefully sited.

If federal lands allow this type of operation, why shouldn't state lands?

Sincerely,

Floyd E. Fickle
Administrative Manager

cc: Steven R. Smith

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April 1, 1988

House Resource Committee
Representatives Sam Cotten/Adelheid Hermann Co-Chairman
P. O. Box V
Juneau, AK 99811

Gentlemen:

This letter is being sent in support of Concurrent Resolution
No. 51.

While all use in protected areas is subject to high environmental
standards, the areas are for public use and proper locations within areas
can usually be found to protect and provide access.

Cordially,

George C. Fiehart
President

GCF:ln

cc: Steven R. Smith

Gray Line of Alaska

March 31, 1988

House Representative Committee
Representatives Sam Cotton/Adelheid Hermann Co-Chairman
P.O. Box V
Juneau, Alaska 99811

Dear Representatives Cotton & Hermann:

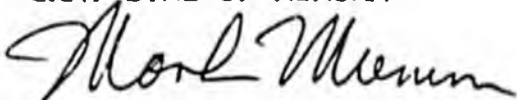
I am writing on behalf of Alaska Helicopters, Inc. and their requests for landing rights on the edge of Chugach State Park. Westours/Gray Line of Alaska has been involved in tourism for over 40 years. During this time we have grown as a result of offering a variety of tours to different areas of the state. As tourism continues to grow, and Anchorage being a major hub for South Central Alaska, it is good to have a wide range of tour options available. With the popularity of helicopter flightseeing tours in Southeast Alaska, it makes good sense to offer similar types of products out of the Anchorage area.

The rugged scenery of the Chugach Mountains is an excellent area for helicopter flightseeing. Since this area is part of Chugach State Park, it makes sense to allow helicopters to operate and land in or near the Park. The Park is meant for people's use and that should include all varieties. Hopefully, in a park of this size, there would be a few areas where helicopters could safely land and not disturb the natural beauty of the area.

I ask that you consider Alaska Helicopters' request for landing permits in or near Chugach State Park. It would certainly enhance their product as well as give the visiting public a wider variety of sightseeing options.

Sincerely,

GRAY LINE OF ALASKA



Mark Mumm
Director Sales & Marketing

cc: Steven R. Smith
Fred Dure

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

AR: REPRESENTATIVE COTTEN

ME: CHRISTOPHER GIBBS

LE:

SS: 3320 MAX CIRCLE #4

TY: ANCHORAGE

ZIP: 99507

HE: 561-4384

NO: HCR 51

CT: HELICOPTERS & SNOWMACHINES/CHUGACH PARK

GE: I AGREE WITH HCR 51. HELICOPTERS SHOULD BE ALLOWED ON THE EDGE OF
CH STATE PARK BECAUSE HELICOPTERS WERE ALLOWED BEFORE. THEY DO NOT CAUSE
ENVIRONMENTAL DAMAGE. NO IMPROVEMENTS ARE NECESSARY TO THE AREA. IT HELPS
CREATE A LARGE TOUR BASE FOR VISITORS TO ANCHORAGE.

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: REPRESENTATIVE COTTEN

NAME: JOANNE MCMASTER

TITLE:

ADDRESS: 6237 E. 21ST

CITY: ANCHORAGE

ZIP: 99504

PHONE: 337-4463

BILL NO: HCR 51

SUBJECT: HELICOPTERS & SNOWMACHINES/CHUGACH PARK

MESSAGE: RECOMMEND PASSAGE OF HCR 51. CHUGACH STATE PARK IS A MULTIPLE USE
AREA. HELICOPTER LANDINGS/FLIGHT OVERS WOULD PROVIDE ACCESSIBILITY OTHER-
WISE DENIED THOSE FIT NOT TO WALK IN AND ALSO TOURIST. DEVELOPMENT OF STATE
NATURAL RESOURCES MAKES LANDING/FLIGHT OVERS OF ALL PARKS ESSENTIAL.

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: REPRESENTATIVE COTTEN

NAME: BILL WOOLLEN
FILE:

ADDRESS: 5410 W. DIMOND, #4

CITY: ANCHORAGE

PHONE: 243-0452

NO: HCR 51

SUBJECT: HELICOPTERS & SNOWMACHINES/CHUGACH PARK

MESSAGE: I AM IN FAVOR OF HCR 51. I BELIEVE HELICOPTERS CAN OPERATE IN A
MULTIPLE USE AREA WITH NO ENVIRONMENTAL DAMAGE. NO IMPROVEMENTS NECESSARY.
WILDLIFE IMPACT. IT MAKES THE PARK ACCESSIBLE TO THOSE PHYSICALLY UNABLE
TO GET THERE AND TO TOURIST WHO ARE NOT EQUIPPED.

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: REPRESENTATIVE COTTEN

NAME: MIKE CASTRO

TITLE:

ADDRESS: 10320 SCHUSS DR.

CITY: ANCHORAGE

PHONE: 346-2174

BILL NO: HCR 51

SUBJECT: HELICOPTERS & SNOWMACHINES/CHUGACH PARK

MESSAGE: WE BELIEVE THE MULTIPLE USE OF THE CHUGIAK PARK IS FOR THAT PURPOSE,
MULTIPLE USE AND THAT THE COMMITTEE SHOULD DIRECT DNR TO REVIEW AND ALLOW
HELICOPTER LANDINGS FOR BOTH RESEARCH AND TOURISM WHICH WOULD HAVE LITTLE OR NO
ENVIRONMENTAL DAMAGE, REQUIRES NO IMPROVEMENTS, HAS LITTLE OR NO EFFECT ON THE
WILDLIFE AND THE INDUSTRY PROPOSED LANDING SITES ARE OUTSIDE THE PARK.

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: REPRESENTATIVE COTTEN

NAME: ROBERT CROCKETT, DIR. OF SALES
TITLE: TRAVEL ENTERPRISES
RESS: 1006 W. NORTHERN LIGHTS
CITY: ANCHORAGE ZIP: 99503
PHONE: 561-5030
L NO: HCR 51
JECT: HELICOPTERS & SNOWMACHINES/CHUGACH PARK
SAGE: WE ARE IN SUPPORT OF THE HELICOPTER TOURS TO OR AROUND THE CHUGIAK
E PARK BOUNDARY. WE FEEL THIS PARK IS A MULTIPLE USE AREA AND FOR THE
TOR COMING TO ALASKA PARTICULARLY WITH LIMITED TIME THIS ALLOWS THEM ACCESS
EMOTE LOCATIONS THAT THEY WOULD OTHERWISE NOT BE ABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN.

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: REPRESENTATIVE COTTEN

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CITY: ANCHORAGE ZIP: 99504
PHONE: 333-2620
BILL NO: HCR 51
SUBJECT: HELICOPTERS & SNOWMACHINES/CHUGACH PARK
MESSAGE: I AM IN SUPPORT OF THIS BILL BECAUSE THIS MAKES THE PARK ACCESSIBLE
FOR THOSE PHYSICALLY UNABLE TO GO THERE AND IT'S ON THE EDGE OF THE PARK AND NOT
IN IT.

POMID: 03094829
DATE: 03/30/88
TIME: 09:48:29
LIONAME: ANCHORAGE LIO

COPIES: REPRESENTATIVES

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: REPRESENTATIVE COTTEN

NAME: WILLIAM BOLLING

TITLE:

RESS: 7126 LINDEN DRIVE

CITY: ANCHORAGE

PHONE: 243-8862

BILL NO: HCR 51

SUBJECT: HELICOPTERS & SNOWMACHINES/CHUGACH PARK

MESSAGE: I AM IN SUPPORT OF HELICOPTERS BEING ABLE TO LAND IN THE PARK. THE
REASONS ARE THERE IS NO ENVIRONMENTAL DAMAGE AND NOTHING HAS TO BE BUILT. IT
WILL MAKE THE PARK AVAILABLE TO OLDER AND HANDICAPPED CITIZENS. THE AREA OF
THE PARK IS ALREADY IN A MULTIPLE USE AREA.

ZIP: 99502

OMID: 03141025

DATE: 03/30/88

TIME: 14:10:25

NAME: ANCHORAGE LIO

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: REPRESENTATIVE COTTEN

NAME: GARY BLADE

TITLE:

ADDRESS: 3110 WILEY POST DRIVE

CITY: ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

PHONE: 243-3404

BILL NO: HCR 51

SUBJECT: HELICOPTERS & SNOWMACHINES/CHUGACH PARK

MESSAGE: ITS A MULTIPLE USE AREA, HELICOPTERS SHOULD BE ALLOWED, THERE IS NO
ENVIRONMENTAL DAMAGE DONE BY HELICOPTERS. THEY MAKE THE PARK ACCESSABLE TO
THE ELDERLY AND THE PEOPLE UNABLE TO GET THERE ON FOOT. IT WILL PROVIDE A
LARGE TOUR BASE FOR THE EVER INCREASING TOURISM TO ANCHORAGE.

ZIP: 99517

POMID: 03102545

DATE: 03/30/88

TIME: 17:25:45

NAME: ANCHORAGE LIO

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: REPRESENTATIVE COTTEN

NAME: STEVEN PACKEL
TITLE:
DRESS: 378 SOUTH KLEVIN
CITY: ANCHORAGE ZIP: 99508
PHONE: 337-0471
LL NO: HCR 51
BJECT: HELICOPTERS & SNOWMACHINES/CHUGACH PARK
SSAGE: I AGREE THAT HELICOPTORS SHOULD BE ABLE TO USE THE EDGE OF THE PARK
AUSE IT IS A MULTIUSE AREA AND IT WOULD PROVIDE A LARGER TOUR BASE FOR THE
ER INCREASING TOURISTS TO ANCHORAGE.

POMIO: 03135942
DATE: 03/30/88
TIME: 13:59:42
ONAME: ANCHORAGE LIO

COPIES: REPRESENTATIVES

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: REPRESENTATIVE COTTEN

NAME: JOY ZIMMERMAN
TITLE:
ADDRESS: 6621 ROUNDTREE DR
CITY: ANCHORAGE ZIP: 99516
PHONE: 264-2345
BILL NO: HCR 51
SUBJECT: HELICOPTERS & SNOWMACHINES/CHUGACH PARK
MESSAGE: I SUPORT HCR 51, THE REASON BEING THAT IT MAKES THE PARK ACCESSIBLE.
THE HELICOPTERS SHOULD BE ALLOWED BECASUE IT MAKES THE PARK ACCESSIBLE TO THE
PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED WHO WOULD BE OTHERWISE UNABLE TO GO. THE REQUEST IS FOR
THE EDGE OF THE PARK, NOT IN IT. NO ENVIRONMENTAL DAMMAGE WOULD BE DONE.

POMIO: 03102924
DATE: 03/30/88
TIME: 10:29:24
LIONAME: ANCHORAGE LIO

COPIES: REPRESENTATIVES

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

EAR: REPRESENTATIVE COTTEN

NAME: ANDY STORER
TITLE:
ADDRESS: 4631 JUNEAU, 34
CITY: ANCHORAGE
PHONE: 563-5737
BILL NO: HCR 51

ZIP: 99503

SUBJECT: HELICOPTERS & SNOWMACHINES/CHUGACH PARK
MESSAGE: I AGREE WITH HCR 51 THAT HELICOPTERS SHOULD BE ALLOWED ON THE EDGE OF PEAK BECAUSE: 1. NO IMPROVEMENTS ARE NECESSARY. 2. IT MAKES THE PEAK ACCESSIBLE TO THOSE PHYSICALLY UNABLE TO GO THERE. 3. IT WOULD PROMOTE TOURISM WITHIN THE ANCHORAGE AREA AND ALASKA.

PHID: 03153910
DATE: 03/30/88
TIME: 15:39:10
NAME: ANCHORAGE LIO

COPIES: REPRESENTATIVES

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: REPRESENTATIVE COTTEN

NAME: CAROL MOONIE
TITLE:
ADDRESS: 1724 AMHERST COURT
CITY: ANCHORAGE, ALASKA
PHONE: 279-9808
BILL NO: HCR 51

ZIP: 99508

SUBJECT: HELICOPTERS & SNOWMACHINES/CHUGACH PARK
MESSAGE: I WANT TO REGISTER AN AGREEMENT WITH HCR 51 FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS:
1. MAINTAIN MULTI-USE AREA, 2. HELICOPTERS DON'T CAUSE ENVIRONMENTAL DAMAGE,
3. NO IMPROVEMENTS WILL BE NECESSARY FOR HELICOPTER USE, 4. PARKS WILL BE ACCESSIBLE TO ALL, 5. BENEFITS TOURISM INDUSTRY.

PHID: 03165734
DATE: 03/30/88
TIME: 16:57:34
NAME: ANCHORAGE LIO

COPIES: REPRESENTATIVES

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: REPRESENTATIVE COTTEN

NAME: BARBARA E. STINSON
TITLE:
ADDRESS: 3830 PATRICA LANE
CITY: ANCHORAGE ZIP: 99504
PHONE: 338-4655
BILL NO: HCR 51
SUBJECT: HELICOPTERS & SNOWMACHINES/CHUGACH PARK
MESSAGE: HELICOPTERS SHOULD BE ALLOWED ON THE EDGE OF THE PARK.

POMID: 03154243
DATE: 03/30/88
TIME: 15:42:43
LOCATION: ANCHORAGE LIO

COPIES: REPRESENTATIVES

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: REPRESENTATIVE COTTEN

NAME: ANNA HEIER
TITLE:
ADDRESS: 4121 TAHOE DRIVE
CITY: ANCHORAGE, ALASKA ZIP: 99515
PHONE: 243-3404
BILL NO: HCR 51
SUBJECT: HELICOPTERS & SNOWMACHINES/CHUGACH PARK
MESSAGE: I'M STATING THAT HCR 51, HELICOPTERS SHOULD BE ALLOWED ON THE EDGE OF THE PARK BECAUSE IT IS A LANDING ON THE EDGE OF THE PARK AND THEREFORE WOULD HAVE NO ENVIRONMENTAL DAMAGE. THERE WOULD BE NO BUILDING ERECTED AS IT IS A TOURISM LANDING SITE.

POMID: 03171121
DATE: 03/30/88
TIME: 17:11:21
LOCATION: ANCHORAGE LIO

COPIES: REPRESENTATIVES

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

: REPRESENTATIVE COTTEN

: PAUL LARSON

:

: PO BOX 263

: PALMER

: 745-4372

: HCR 51

: HELICOPTERS & SNOWMACHINES/CHUGACH PARK

: MAKE THE PARK ACCESSIBLE TO THE ELDERLY AND HANDICAPPED PEOPLE. IT
AVE LITTLE OR NO ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT. THIS IS LOCATED NEAR THE BORDER
PARK, NOT THE INTERIOR PORTION.

ZIP: 99645

: 03102919

: 03/30/88

: 10:29:19

: ANCHORAGE LIO

: REPRESENTATIVES

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NAVARRE

PEARCE

SHULTZ

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: REPRESENTATIVE COTTEN

NAME: GERALD RAPP

TITLE:

ADDRESS: 6400 SOUTH AIRPARK DR

CITY: ANCHORAGE

PHONE: 243-3404

BILL NO: HCR 51

SUBJECT: HELICOPTERS & SNOWMACHINES/CHUGACH PARK

MESSAGE: I WOULD LIKE TO SAY THAT I AM IN FAVOR OF HELICOPTER AND SNOW MACHINE
USE IN CHUGACH STATE PARK AND I FEEL AS THOUGH THE STATE PARK IS FOR THE USE OF
ALL NOT JUST THE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMUNITY. I FEEL THERE ARE MANY PEOPLE WHO
ARE UNABLE TO TRAVEL TO THE STATE PARK UNLESS THEY USE SNOWMACHINES OR HELI-
COPTERS. I FEEL THAT LITTLE OR NO DAMAGE WOULD BE CAUSED TO THE AREA.
THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION.

ZIP: 99502

POMID: 03095653

DATE: 03/30/88

TIME: 09:56:53

LIONAME: ANCHORAGE LIO

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PEARCE

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RIEGER

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DAVIDSON

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GOLL

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HERRMANN

HUDSON

LARSON

MENARD

NAVARRE

PETTYJOHN

POURCHOT

SHULTZ

SUND

TAYLOR

WALLIS

PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

R: REPRESENTATIVE COTTEN

E: CINDY BRINKERHOFF

E:
S: 3820 BOEK CIRCLE
Y: ANCHORAGE
TE: 344-0043
ID: HCR 51
ZIP: 99507

T: HELICOPTERS & SNOWMACHINES/CHUGACH PARK
 E: I AGREE WITH HCR 51 FOR HELICOPTERS TO BEL ALLOWED ON THE EDGE OF THE
 BECAUSE IT IS A MULTIPLE USE AREA AND IT MAKES THE PARK ACCESSIBLE
 PHYSICALLY DISABLED. IT'S ON THE EDGE OF THE PARK, NOT IN IT.

ID: 03112557
 TE: 03/30/88
 IE: 11:25:57
 LE: ANCHORAGE LIO

ES: REPRESENTATIVES

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: REPRESENTATIVE COTTEN

NAME: MARY H RAPP
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: 3695 ARCTIC #146
 CITY: ANCHORAGE
 PHONE: 248-2331
 BILL NO: HCR 51
 ZIP: 99503

SUBJECT: HELICOPTERS & SNOWMACHINES/CHUGACH PARK
 MESSAGE: I AM IN FAVOR OF HCR 51. ALL PEOPLE OF ALASKA SHOULD BE ALLOWED USE
 OF THE CHUGACH STATE PARK, NOT JUST PEOPLE ON FOOT AND SKIS. PEOPLE SHOULD BE
 ALLOWED TO SEE THE PARKS ON HELICOPTERS.

POMID: 03105228
 DATE: 03/30/88
 TIME: 10:52:28
 LIO: ANCHORAGE LIO

COPIES: REPRESENTATIVES REPRESENTATIVES SENATORS

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FURNACE	GOLL	FAIKS
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HANLEY	HERRMANN	FISCHER
HOFFMAN	HUDSON	HALFORD
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PHILLIPS	POURCHOT	KERTTULA
RIEGER	SHULTZ	RODEY
SPRINGER	SUND	STURGULEWSKI
SHACKHAMMER	TAYLOR	SZYMANSKI
ULMER	WALLIS	UEHLING
ZAWACKI		ZHAROFF

PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

: REPRESENTATIVE COTTEN

: BONNIE WHEELES

: P.O.BOX 92805

: ANCHORAGE

: 243-4935

: HCR 51

: HELICOPTERS & SNOWMACHINES/CHUGACH PARK

: THE STATE PARK WILL SERVE A MORE USEFUL PURPOSE FOR THE RESIDENTS OF
AND THE VISITORS WE ENCOURAGE TO COME HERE IF WE ALLOW ACCESS BY
TER. I HAVE ABSOLUTELY NO ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS BECAUSE NO FACILITIES
COMPANY THE PLANNED USE.

ZIP: 99509

: 03122006

: 03/30/88

: 12:20:06

: ANCHORAGE LIO

: REPRESENTATIVES

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: REPRESENTATIVE COTTEN

NAME: BARBARA SHENTON

TITLE:

ADDRESS: 6523 ROSEWOOD

CITY: ANCHORAGE

PHONE: 344-9547

BILL NO: HCR 51

SUBJECT: HELICOPTERS & SNOWMACHINES/CHUGACH PARK

MESSAGE: I FAVOR HCR 51. AS ENJOYMENT OF CHUGIAK STATE PARK SHOULD NOT BE
LIMITED TO FOOT AND SKI ACCESS ONLY. PEOPLE HAVE THE RIGHT TO SEE AND ENJOY
IT BY HELICOPTER AND SNOW MACHINE. OTHERWISE, IT APPEARS THAT TAX DOLLARS
ARE USED TO LOCK UP THE PARKS BEAUTY TO ONLY A FEW.

ZIP: 99518

POHID: 03114220

DATE: 03/30/88

TIME: 11:42:20

LIONAME: ANCHORAGE LIO

COPIES: REPRESENTATIVES REPRESENTATIVES

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FURNACE	GOLL
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HANLEY	HERRMANN
HOFFMAN	HUDSON
KOPONEN	LARSON
MARTIN	MEHARD
MILLER	NAVARRE
PEARCE	PETTYJOHN
PHILLIPS	POURCHOT
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SWACKHAMMER	TAYLOR
ULMER	WALLIS
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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

R: REPRESENTATIVE COTTEN

IE: RAINY BRANDEN

E:
S: P.O. BOX 1010
Y: GIRDWOOD ZIP: 99507
E: 703-2773

O: HCR 51

T: HELICOPTERS & SNOWMACHINES/CHUGACH PARK

E: I TOTALLY AGREE WITH THIS. HELICOPTERS SHOULD ALMOST ALWAYS BE ALLOWED
D AROUND THE PARK. MAIN REASONS ARE DAMAGE TO ENVIRONMENT IS NONE PLUS
TO PARK BY MORE PEOPLE.

D: 03135129

E: 03/30/88

E: 13:51:29

E: ANCHORAGE LIO

S: REPRESENTATIVES

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- NAVARRE
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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: REPRESENTATIVE COTTEN

NAME: ROD WIEELES

TITLE:

ADDRESS: BOX 92805

CITY: ANCHORAGE

ZIP: 99509

PHONE: 243-4935

BILL NO: HCR 51

SUBJECT: HELICOPTERS & SNOWMACHINES/CHUGACH PARK

MESSAGE: I SAY YES TO HELICOPTER LANDINGS IN CHUGACH STATE PARK. NOT ONLY WILL
THE ECO-SYSTEM IMPACT BE LESS WITH HELICOPTER USE THAN WITH BACK COUNTRY HIKER
BUT AIR TRAVELERS LAYING OVER FOR ONLY A FEW HOURS COULD BENEFIT FROM AN
UNFORGETTABLE EXPERIENCE IN "THE GREAT LAND".

POMID: 03131910

DATE: 03/30/88

TIME: 13:19:10

LIONAME: ANCHORAGE LIO

COPIES: REPRESENTATIVES

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: REPRESENTATIVE COTTEN

NAME: ELAINE BALDWIN
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: 2651 LOVEJOY
 CITY: ANCHORAGE ZIP: 99508
 PHONE: 274-2093
 BILL NO: HCR 51

SUBJECT: HELICOPTERS & SNOWMACHINES/CHUGACH PARK
 MESSAGE: I AGREE WITH HCR 51 BECAUSE OF THE FOLLOWING REASONS: 1. IT GIVES
 TOURISTS ANOTHER OPTION FOR SITESEEING. 2. IT MAKES THE PARK ACCESSIBLE FOR
 ALL PEOPLE, INCLUDING HANDICAPPED. 3. IT HAS LITTLE OR NO IMPACT ON THE WILD-
 LIFE. 4. NO IMPROVEMENTS ARE NECESSARY. 5. THERE'S NO ENVIRONMENT DAMAGES.
 MULTI-USE AREA.

POMID: 03150517
 DATE: 03/30/88
 TIME: 15:05:17
 LOCATION: ANCHORAGE LIO

COPIES: REPRESENTATIVES

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: REPRESENTATIVE COTTEN

NAME: B.J. MARTIN
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: 3710 CORE COURT #1
 CITY: ANCHORAGE ZIP: 99502
 PHONE: 243-8329
 BILL NO: HCR 51

SUBJECT: HELICOPTERS & SNOWMACHINES/CHUGACH PARK
 MESSAGE: I THINK THAT THE PARK SHOULD BE MADE AVAILABLE TO MORE THAN JUST
 SKIERS AND HIKERS, WHO ARE PRIMARILY MORE ACTIVE INDIVIDUALS. IF THE PARK IS
 CLOSED TO ANY OTHER SORT OF ACTIVITY SUCH AS HELICOPTORS THEN OLDER INDIVIDUALS
 OR LESS ACTIVE INDIVIDUALS CAN NOT ENJOY THE BLAUTY THAT THE PARK HAS TO OFFER.

POMID: 03145514
 DATE: 03/30/88
 TIME: 14:55:14
 LOCATION: ANCHORAGE LIO

COPIES: REPRESENTATIVES REPRESENTATIVES

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SPRINGER	SURD
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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: REPRESENTATIVE COTTEN

NAME: ROBERT GUNDERSON
TITLE:
ADDRESS: 2829 LEAWOOD DRIVE
CITY: ANCHORAGE, ALASKA
PHONE: 243-3404

ZIP: 99515

LL NO: HCR 51
SUBJECT: HELICOPTERS & SNOWMACHINES/CHUGACH PARK
MESSAGE: I AGREE WITH THE RESOLUTION AS IT IS WRITTEN. THE AREA IN QUESTION IS A MULTI-USE AREA, AND HELICOPTERS SHOULD BE ALLOWED. NO IMPROVEMENTS WOULD BE NECESSARY FOR LANDINGS AND THERE WOULD BE NO WILDLIFE IMPACT.

POMID: 03161440
DATE: 03/30/88
TIME: 16:14:40
LIONAME: ANCHORAGE LIO

COPIES: REPRESENTATIVES

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: REPRESENTATIVE COTTEN

NAME: TONI MARIE SMITH, PRES.
TITLE: HILLSIDE/EAST COMMUNITY COUNCIL
ADDRESS: BOX 91985
CITY: ANCHORAGE
PHONE: 346-3286

ZIP: 99509

BILL NO: HCR 51
SUBJECT: HELICOPTERS & SNOWMACHINES/CHUGACH PARK
MESSAGE: I AGREE WITH HCR 51. HELICOPTERS SHOULD BE ALLOWED IN THE PERIPHERY OF CHUGIAK STATE PARK. ORIGINALLY A MULTIPLE USE AREA, HELICOPTERS AMENDED SHOULD BE EQUALLY ACCESSIBLE. PRIVATE ENTERPRISE DOLLAR INTO ECONOMY. DEVELOPS LOCAL TOURISM. APPROPRIATE PERIPHERAL USE.

POMID: 03151412
DATE: 03/30/88
TIME: 15:14:12
LIONAME: ANCHORAGE LIO

COPIES: REPRESENTATIVES

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: REPRESENTATIVE COTTEN

NAME: ALICE FLORES
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: 6503 ROSEWOOD
 CITY: ANCHORAGE, ALASKA ZIP: 99518
 PHONE: 349-4250
 BILL NO: HCR 51
 SUBJECT: HELICOPTERS & SNOWMACHINES/CHUGACH PARK
 MESSAGE: I AM A SENIOR CITIZEN AND I FEEL THAT ALL PEOPLE SHOULD HAVE THE
 RIGHT TO USE CHUGUACH STATE PARK, NOT JUST THE SKIERS AND SNOWMACHINE
 OPERATORS BUT ALL PEOPLE. THATS ONLY FAIR.

POHIO: 03163227
 DATE: 03/30/88
 TIME: 16:32:27
 LIORNAME: ANCHORAGE LIO

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BROWN	COLLINS	KERTTULA
DONLEY	ELLIS	RODEY
FURNACE	GRUENBERG	STURGULEWSKI
HANLEY	MARTIN	SZYMANSKI
PETTYJOHN	PHILLIPS	UEHLING
POURCHOT	RIEGER	
ZAWACKI		

PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: REPRESENTATIVE COTTEN

NAME: JAMES A. HARPSTER
 TITLE:
 ADDRESS: 6611 ROUNDTREE DRIVE
 CITY: ANCHORAGE, ALASKA ZIP: 99516
 PHONE: 346-1740
 BILL NO: HCR 51
 SUBJECT: HELICOPTERS & SNOWMACHINES/CHUGACH PARK
 MESSAGE: I WANT THE BILL TO BE STOPPED BECAUSE I DON'T WANT HELICOPTERS
 RESTRICTION OVER THE CHUGUACH GLACIER. I WANT THE CHUGUACH TO BE OPEN
 TO ALL ALASKANS.

POHIO: 03162018
 DATE: 03/30/88
 TIME: 16:20:18
 LIORNAME: ANCHORAGE LIO

COPIES: REPRESENTATIVES

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: REPRESENTATIVE COTTEN

NAME: MICHAEL ZACCARDI

TITLE:

RESS: 2611 LAKE OTIS PARKWAY

CITY: ANCHORAGE

ZIP: 99508

PHONE: 279-0551

BILL NO: HCR 51

SUBJECT: HELICOPTERS & SNOWMACHINES/CHUGACH PARK

MESSAGE: WE GO TO CHUGIAK STATE PARK TO GET A BREAK FROM THE NOISY MOTORS AND TRAFFIC. HELICOPTERS AND SNOWMACHINES ARE NOISY AND DISTURBING. IN GOOD FAITH WE PARTICIPATED IN THE PLANNING PROCESS WHICH DECIDED AGAINST THESE UGLY SITUATIONS. PLEASE HONOR THE PUBLIC PROCESS. PLEASE VOTE NO TO THIS MEASURE.

POMID: 03160502

DATE: 03/30/88

TIME: 16:05:02

LIIONAME: ANCHORAGE LIO

OPINIONS: REPRESENTATIVES

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: REPRESENTATIVE COTTEN

NAME: STEVE KOSLOW

TITLE:

ADDRESS: 4204 COPE ST.

CITY: ANCHORAGE

ZIP: 99503

PHONE: 561-0500

BILL NO: HCR 51

SUBJECT: HELICOPTERS & SNOWMACHINES/CHUGACH PARK

MESSAGE: I REQUEST YOU TO WITHDRAW YOUR RESOLUTION TO REOPEN THE HELICOPTER LANDING AND SNOWMACHINE USE IN CHUGIAK STATE PARK. THIS ISSUE HAS GONE THROUGH THE PUBLIC HEARING PROCESS ALREADY AND HAS BEEN DETERMINED TO BE IN CONFLICT WITH EXISTING USES. THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION.

POMID: 03122452

DATE: 03/30/88

TIME: 12:24:52

LIIONAME: ANCHORAGE LIO

PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: REPRESENTATIVE COTTEN

NAME: CATHY HAMMOND

TITLE:

ADDRESS: 9835 HILAND ROAD

CITY: EAGLE RIVER

PHONE: 694-5316

ZIP: 99577

BILL NO:

SUBJECT: HELICOPTOR LANDING IN STATE PARK

MESSAGE: I OPPOSE REOPENING THE PUBLIC HEARING ON ALLLOWING COMMERCIAL HELICOP-
TOR LANDINGS WITHIN CHUGACH STATE PARK. THE PROPOSAL WAS SOUNDLY DEFEATED
EARLIER FOR GOOD REASONS. ALLOWING THIS ACTIVITY WITHIN PARK BOUNDARIES DOES
NOT DEMONSTRATE SOUND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PRINCIPALS. PARK USERS SHOULD NOT
BE SUBJECTED TO THE INTRUSION OF HELICOPTOR LANDINGS. I URGE YOU NOT TO APPROV
PASSAGE OF THIS LEGISLATION.

POHID: 03140627

DATE: 03/25/88

TIME: 14:06:27

LIONAME: ANCHORAGE LIO

PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: REPRESENTATIVE COTTEN

NAME: MARY GRISCO

TITLE:

ADDRESS: P.O.BOX 202045

CITY: ANCHORAGE

PHONE: 258-1896

ZIP: 99520

BILL NO:

SUBJECT: STATE PARK RESOLUTION

MESSAGE: PUBLIC PROCESS MORE THAN ADEQUATE TO DECIDE NO HELICOPTER IN
STATE PARKS. SNOW MACHINE ON EAGLE RIVER GREENBELT BAD IDEA. LEGISLATIVE
MEDDLING IN STATE PARK MANAGEMENT VERY BAD IDEA. URGE YOU FORGET THIS
RESOLUTION.

POHID: 03154732

DATE: 03/23/88

TIME: 15:47:32

LIONAME: ANCHORAGE LIO

PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: REPRESENTATIVE COTTEN

NAME: EVA LOKEN

TITLE:

ADDRESS: 9123 HILAND ROAD

CITY: EAGLE RIVER

PHONE: 694-4200

ZIP: 99577

BILL NO: HCR 51

SUBJECT: HELICOPTERS & SNOWMACHINES/CHUGACH PARK

MESSAGE: I DON'T MIND REOPENING THE PUBLIC HEARING, I DO MIND THE STATE PAYING OR THE HEARING. PUBLIC TESTIMONY IS CLEAR ENOUGH IF HELICOPTOR PEOPLE WANT TO PAY FOR THE COST OF THE HEARINGS - FINE.

POMID: 03093300

DATE: 03/24/88

TIME: 09:33:00

LIONAME: ANCHORAGE LIO

PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

DEAR: REPRESENTATIVE COTTEN

NAME: SUE LIBENSON

TITLE:

ADDRESS: 2026 ALDER

CITY: ANCHORAGE

PHONE: 653-1158

ZIP: 99508

BILL NO: HCR 51

SUBJECT: HELICOPTERS & SNOWMACHINES/CHUGACH PARK

MESSAGE: I STRONGLY OPPOSE THIS RESOLUTION. IT IS IN DIRECT OPPOSITION TO THE PURPOSE OF THE PARK WHICH SERVES AS A QUIET, SCENIC, GET-AWAY SPOT FOR ANCHORAGE RESIDENTS AND VISITORS. THIS TYPE OF MOTORIZED ACTIVITY HAS BEEN REPEATEDLY DISCUSSED IN THE PUBLIC PROCESS AND HAS BEEN OVERWHELMINGLY OPPOSED BY THE PUBLIC EVERYTIME.

POMID: 03154132

DATE: 03/24/88

TIME: 15:41:32

LIONAME: ANCHORAGE LIO



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I STRONGLY OPPOSE RESOLUTION RESOLUTION REGARDING HELICOPTERS
IN STATE PARKS.

TOM MEACHAM

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