

Julie Cozzi

From: Cecily Stern [cecily.stern@gmail.com]
Sent: Sunday, May 26, 2013 9:13 AM
To: Stephanie Scott
Cc: Julie Cozzi
Subject: Heliski comments
Attachments: Heli ski letter.pdf

Dear Stephanie,

Attached please find my comments on the heliski industry. Please have them forwarded to the assembly members.

Thanks,

Cecily

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May 26, 2013

Dear Mayor Scott and Borough Assembly members,

Please keep all helicopter boundaries for any heli-tourism activities to areas where they will not disrupt the peace and quiet that are essential to quality of life for so many Haines residents.

Please monitor the heli-tourism industry closely to ensure the operators are abiding by the laws established to regulate it to protect local residents from the noise of helicopters and local wildlife from the harm caused by helicopter intrusion into their territory.

Please institute serious consequences when violations occur.

Please allow no expansion of heli-tourism boundaries, season dates, numbers of flights, or numbers of passengers.

Your consideration of these concerns is much appreciated.

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From: Karen Hess [<mailto:riveradventures@aptalaska.net>]
Sent: Friday, May 31, 2013 4:40 PM
To: Mark Earnest
Subject: Heli Ski Map

Mark,

I am writing a brief e-mail to support the change in the Heli Skiing Map. I believe that the companies that are operating in Haines are responsible, reliable and dedicated. More terrain allows better opportunities for businesses to grow and prosper. I feel that the opposition to the heli-ski industry is for personal reasons and not backed by any common sense. It is the "close the door behind me" syndrome, as my husband always says. Everyone has an impact on someone. Those who move here and try to shut down businesses, have an impact on those trying to make a living. I believe that the heli-skiing industry is one that highlights our pristine mountains, and the wilderness that Haines is known for.

Please consider broadening the boundaries for the heli-ski industry.

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Integrity is when what you say, what you do, what you think, and who you are all come from the same place.

From: Sierra Cramer [<mailto:sc10@live.com>]
Sent: Friday, May 31, 2013 7:28 AM
To: Mark Earnest
Subject: Fwd: Heliski Map Proposal from AH

I Sierra Cramer support this proposal.

Sent from my iPod

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Timothy Thomas" <timtomakhs@gmail.com>
To: "Sierra Thomas" <sc10@live.com>
Subject: Fwd: Heliski Map Proposal from AH

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From: Timothy Thomas <timtomakhs@gmail.com>
Date: Fri, May 31, 2013 at 9:19 AM
Subject: Heliski Map Proposal from AH
To: mearnest@haines.ak.us

Dear Mark,

Thank you for this opportunity to submit my proposal for changes to our Heliski map.

I am representing Alaska Heliskiing on this matter

Our reasoning for the changes are simple. The three most important aspects of a business is location, location, location.

The industry has historically skied in the areas I have highlighted in the past. I see no reasons why we should not be able to return to this terrain. I understand wildlife and personal concerns.

I have not seen any hard evidence of effects on wildlife and truly feel only a couple of people have personal issues that do not comply with the mass majority of the community. Over the past 15 years, I believe we have addressed any of these issues and the conclusion is that we are over regulated and restricted from full business potential.

Thanks again,

Tim Thomas
Senior/Lead Guide
Alaska Heliskiing

From: Micaela Bauer [mailto:funnyfarm_ak@yahoo.com]
Sent: Friday, May 31, 2013 4:44 PM
To: Mark Earnest
Subject: Haines Heliski Map Change Proposals

Dear Mark:

My name is Bruce Bauer and I have been with this industry from day one and brought it to town. I run a lodge at 27 mile called "The Funny Farm AK" and started solely from the heliski industry.

I am writing to endorse the proposed changes presented by Tim Thomas of Alaska Heliskiing.

I was appointed to the original map committee with Deborah Voght, and John Katsik.

I would also like to add that the Tahkine range was taken due to the request of the Klukwan natives because of bears. I would like to see it open early season again and let the native council give notice to close as they know better than anybody and their historical knowledge is invaluable.

The Haines mountains close in are one of the most attractive features which draws guests from all over the world.

I think since these areas were allowed to be addressed again by the original map committee you consider this as an additional possibility.

Thank you for your time and feel free to contact me anytime @ 767-5668, or this e-mail.

Sincerely

Bruce J. Bauer

Julie Cozzi

From: Darsie Culbeck
Sent: Thursday, May 30, 2013 9:51 PM
To: Scott, Ryan (DFG)
Cc: Mark Earnest; Julie Cozzi
Subject: Re: Heliskiing committee

Thanks Ryan
We appreciate your help and expect that you will be involved.
Cheers

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Please excuse the brevity, sent from my Iphone.

On May 30, 2013, at 3:59 PM, "Scott, Ryan (DFG)" <ryan.scott@alaska.gov> wrote:

Darcie,

I was out of town for a bit but was following an email exchange you had with Randy Bachman concerning a Haines Heliskiing Committee. Myself, Stephanie Sell and Kevin White are happy to help out anyway we can. If I understand correctly you need a Haines resident, unfortunately the way our region is structured the wildlife managers for northern Southeast Alaska are stationed in Juneau. Please let me know how we can assist the committee. I will be here until 5PM today and back tomorrow afternoon, and should be around all next week. Thanks.

Ryan