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Haines Borough

Mayor Scott and Assembly Members

RE: Commercial Ski Tour Map for 2014.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

I am writing this letter with attachments in regards to the Commercial Ski Tour Map for 2014. I live at 311 Lynnvie Drive, downtown Haines. My lawnmower makes more noise for an hour than the flights of Helicopters and Airplanes for 34 years. I am in a direct line of the flight pattern and it is not offensive to me. I would like to see MORE Commercial Skiing visible for my family, community members to be able to view the sport whether it be a limited season or all year. I have a step son who is Olympic material for skiing and to limit my family access or others is taking my rights away as well. Yes, we all have rights but we have to learn to give a little.

I suggest expanding the current allowed skiing areas to be lowered to approximately 1500 feet of elevation level in the areas of Haska Creek, Pyramid River drainage, Kicking Horse Ridge and the southwest/upper Walker Lake Area. I believe the detailed expansion of the current map will allow for safer pick up and drop offs in all types of weather. Having the option when the weather conditions deteriorate with skiers in the field or if an emergency arises it gives the rescuers the time needed to be able to respond efficiently and quickly.

Opening the Tahkin ridge areas allows more terrain to be accessed from the 18mile approved heliport, as well.

The economics brought to Haines during the ski season is a boost to all business' and people (moral) in Haines. With the internet and community economics declining to have this boost during the winter Ski season is a positive step in the right direction that the community and economy needs.

The terrain that is closed should be opened to supply more safer areas to ski.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

  
Patty A. Campbell

Expansion in people





