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To: Brad Ryan; Julie Cozzi; Jan Hill
Subject: Request Nontemporary Amendment of the Haines Borough Approved Commercial Ski Tour Areas Map.
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I would like to initiate this based on the following:

"The Haines Commercial Ski Tour Area MAP includes the BLM lands. Under scrutiny and the knowlege of then borough manager David Sosa, it was publicly recognized in late June of 2015 that the borough has no authority over these lands."

I believe this puts the borough map and the managment authorities in a liable position and could set the borough up for many map changes in the future based on what happens with BLM lands and their management.

I would suggest removing these lands from the borough map. This would bring the borough into legal compliance with its ordinance regarding commercial ski tours generated by helicopters.

Since the BLM lands would simply be removed from the map off of the existing Haines Borough Approved Commercial Ski Tour Area MAP. I am not submitting a file for this as it already exists.

I also want to take the time to suggest that there are areas on the map that can be identified for small expansions of terrain on some areas not contested.

We agreed as an community to let the map exist for 3 operating years before we messed with it, and at this point it has been three years. We always have said that this document was to be a living document, meant to be looked at, debated and refined.

I believe this would also be a good time as BLM and the State have collected better numbers for wildlife.

I would hereby request that the manager review these items and convene a map committee.

I do not believe there us much to task, nut there is also the CIV provisional areas of the HBACSTA Map that were placed in the map that should be debated, and considered once again.

I am willing to sit on the seat if chosen.

Thank you for your time.

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1. To initiate nontemporary amendment of the Haines Borough Approved Commercial Ski Tour Areas map, the assembly shall adopt a resolution, following a public hearing, that articulates the reasons to consider amendments to the map and authorizes the borough manager to convene a heliski map committee according to the following procedures:

    a. Proposals for map amendments may be submitted to the borough manager from May 1st to May 31st. Proposals shall be in writing and include an illustration of the general subject area and rationale for the amendment.

    b. After May 31st and prior to June 10th, the manager shall convene an advisory committee to review the proposed map amendments. The committee shall include the following five voting members:

        (1) A representative of a local conservation organization, appointed by the mayor;

        (2) A member of the Haines Borough assembly;

        (3) A representative from the heliski industry selected randomly by current Haines Borough heliski permit holders; and

        (4) Two members chosen randomly from Haines Borough residents who petition to be members of the committee.

c. The committee shall to every extent possible involve ADFG area wildlife biologists and Bureau of Land Management (BLM) in its deliberations, including forwarding all proposals for map changes to the ADFG and BLM, seeking ADFG and BLM testimony, and requesting comments from ADFG and BLM on all draft recommendations before they are sent to the manager.

d. The committee shall organize itself as to procedure and shall make a recommendation to the manager on or before July 15th. The manager will not be bound to the recommendations but shall present them to the assembly for consideration.

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Recommended map changes

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1. This area has been excluded from the map, although we are permitted to use the area through BLM it needs to be added if the BLM terrain stay on the existing map.
2. This area is less than a ⅓ of a sq mile and tucked behind the front range of the Chilkat inlet. It would provide more safety and option for pick up while we ski in this area.
3. This is just one valley north of #2 and has been historically used for 13 years, without any complaint. This would simply allow the industry to provide more efficient and safe landings for it customers.
4. This area I believe was suppose to be included in the changes in 2013, but the mapping was done incorrectly. THe original hand drawn maps were lost, but at this time since the area is in the trees, there are no pickups and this has rendered this general area unusable for the past three years. It needs to be added.
5. This was also a case with # %, terrain was removed from this area, but to much was taken so that landings on top of this peak that has always been apart of the map, was removed and made unusable. It created a situation that over 6 sq mile of ski terrain was removed from the map accidently because of no top landing; Needs to be added back in.
6. This area is highly used by snow cat, snow machine and by heli skiers, at least above the orange boundary, we simply want to drop the line to extend terrain and have lower pickups. This would only create more low angle terrain for safe skiing.
7. The area in green is the BLM, as the borough has no authority over regulating it, then it should simply be removed from the map.

Thank you for considering these changes. The industry has been quiet even though terrain was removed from the map three years ago that was not suppose to be, decreasing our skiable acreage even more.

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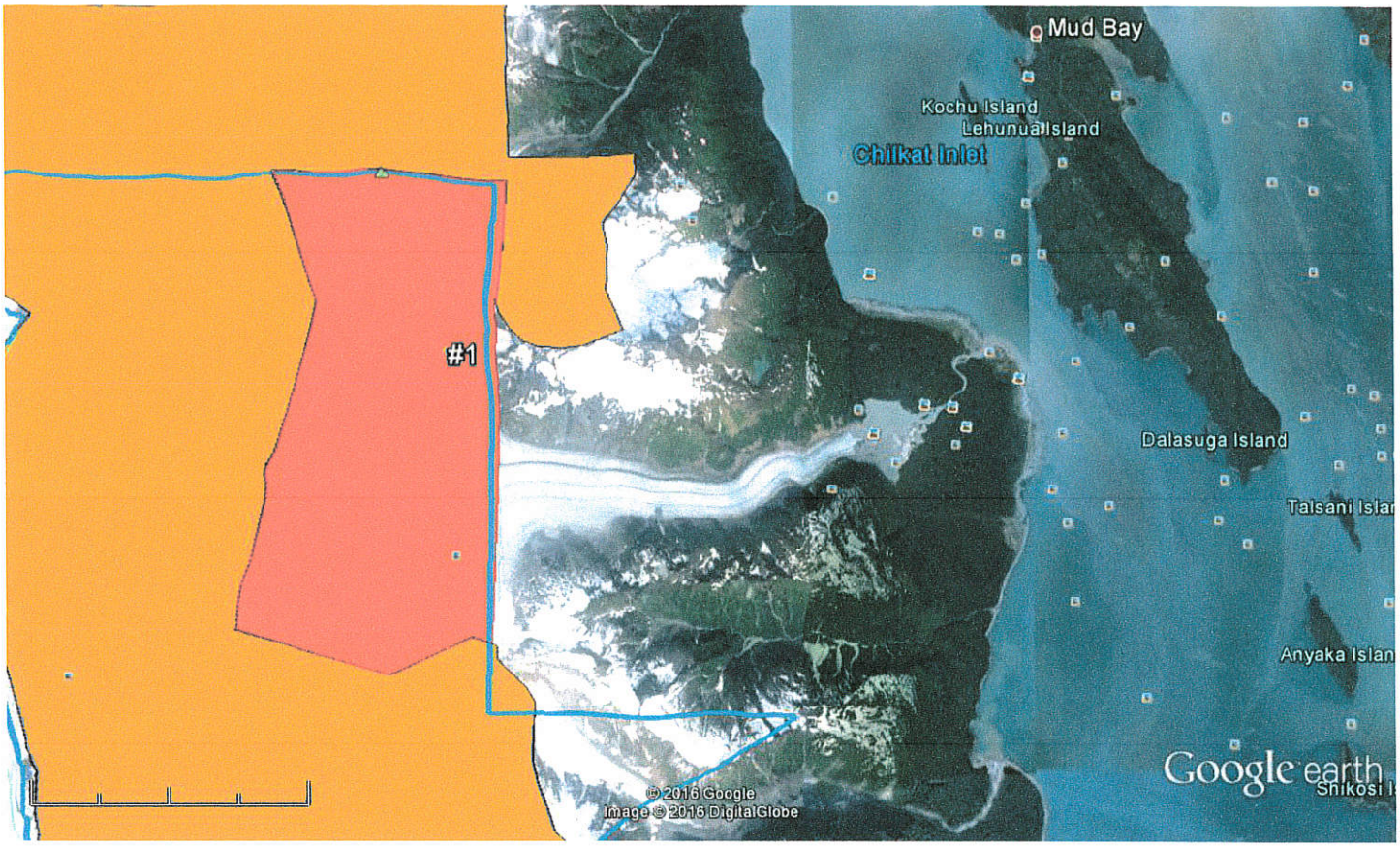

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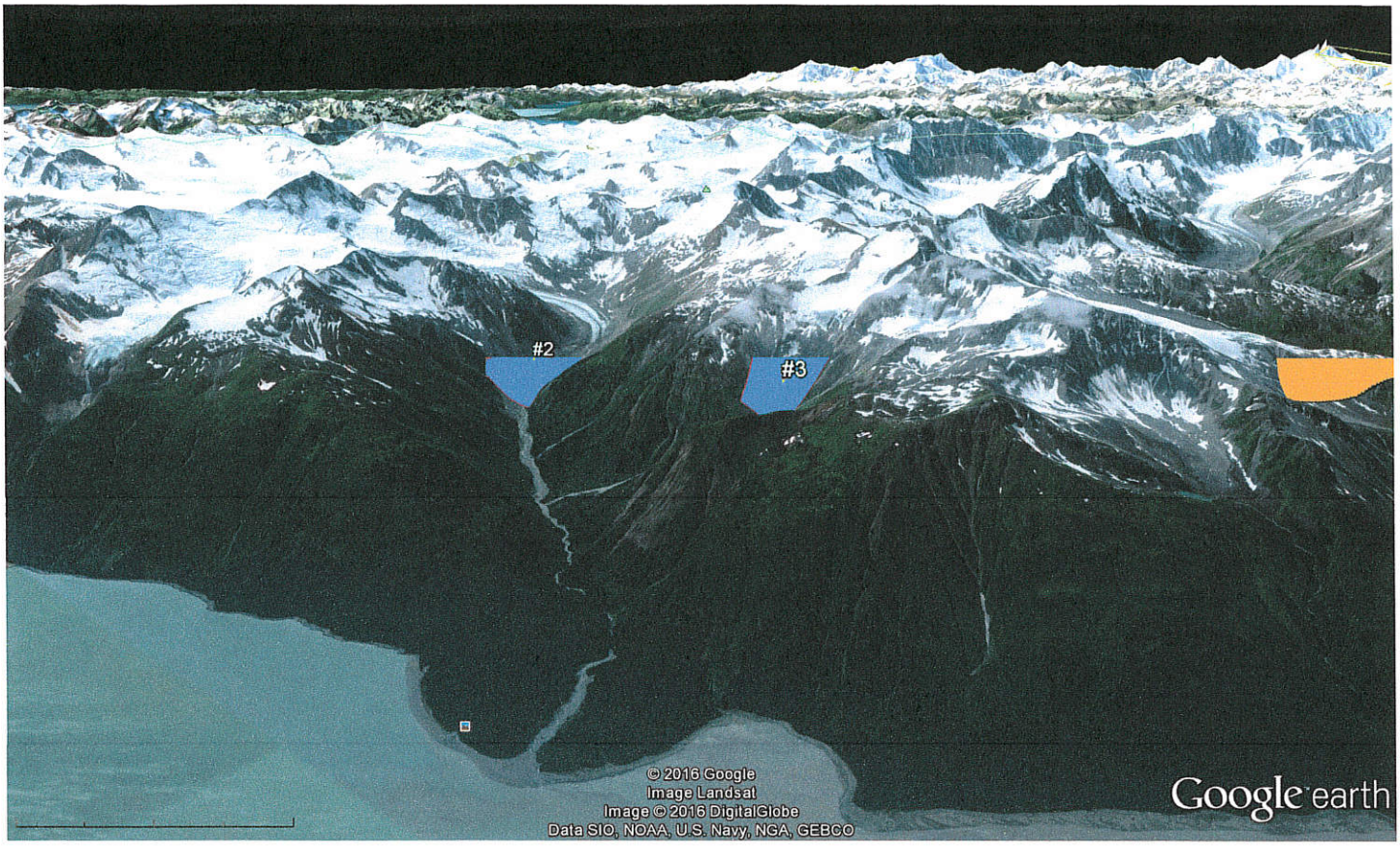

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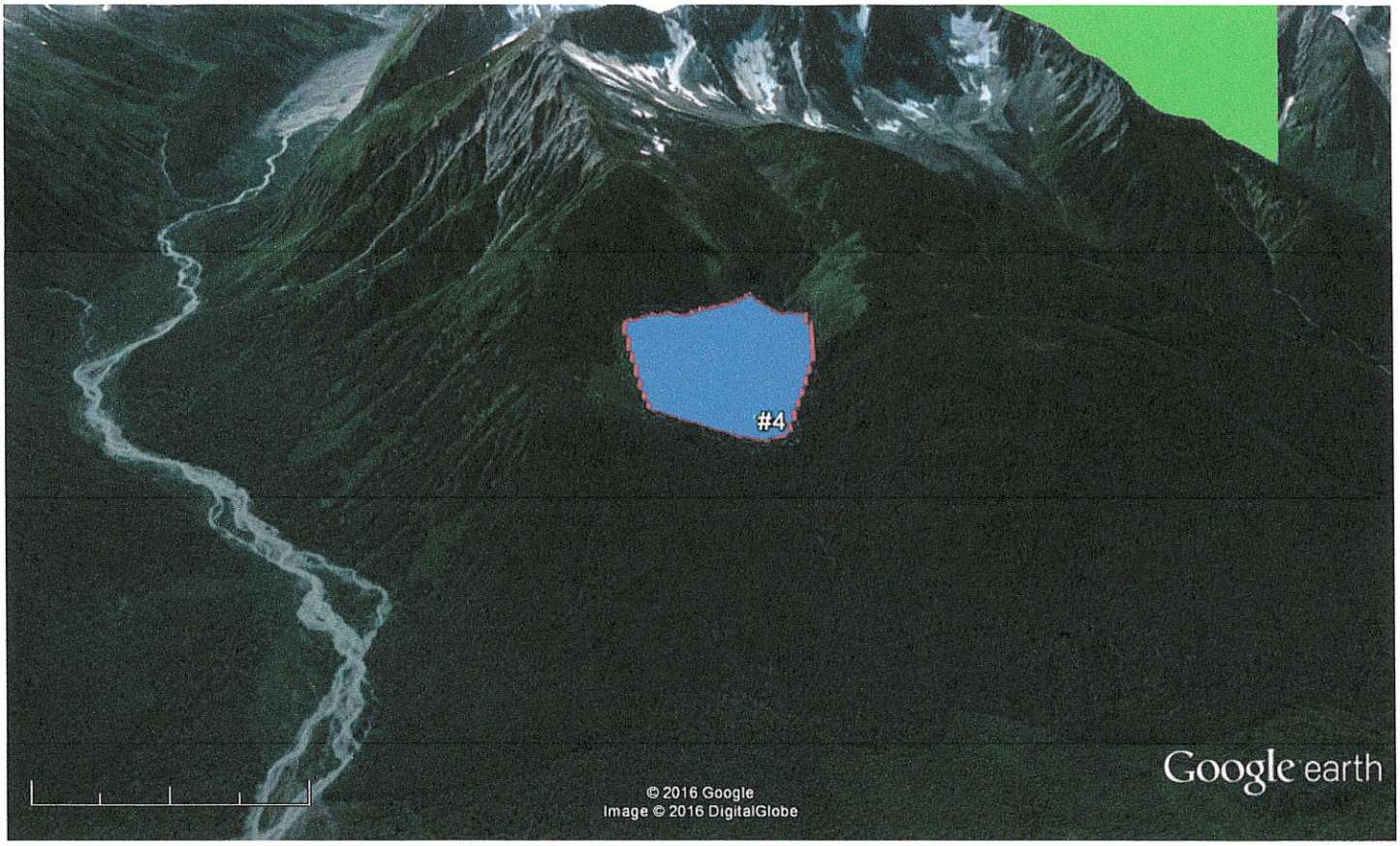

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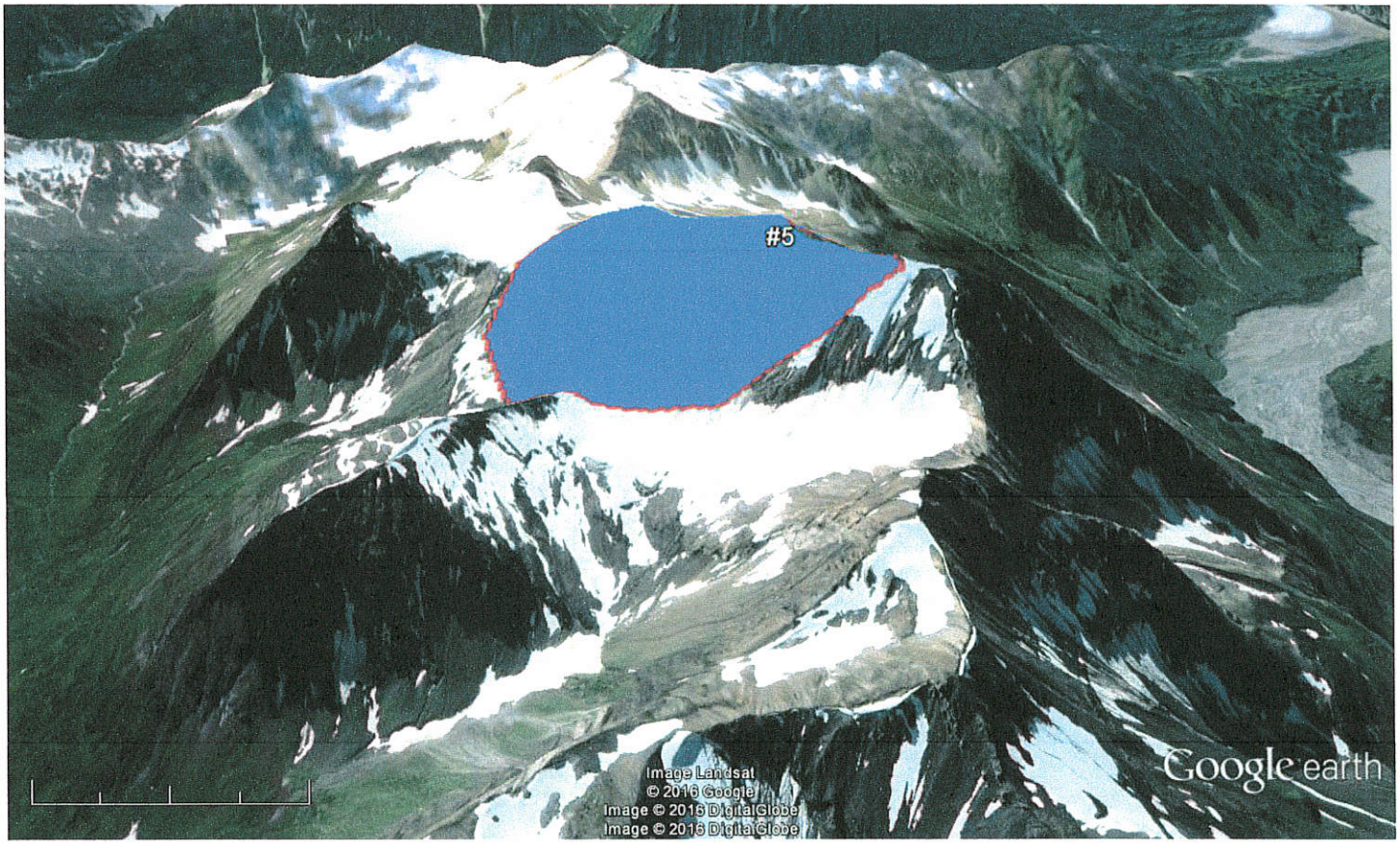

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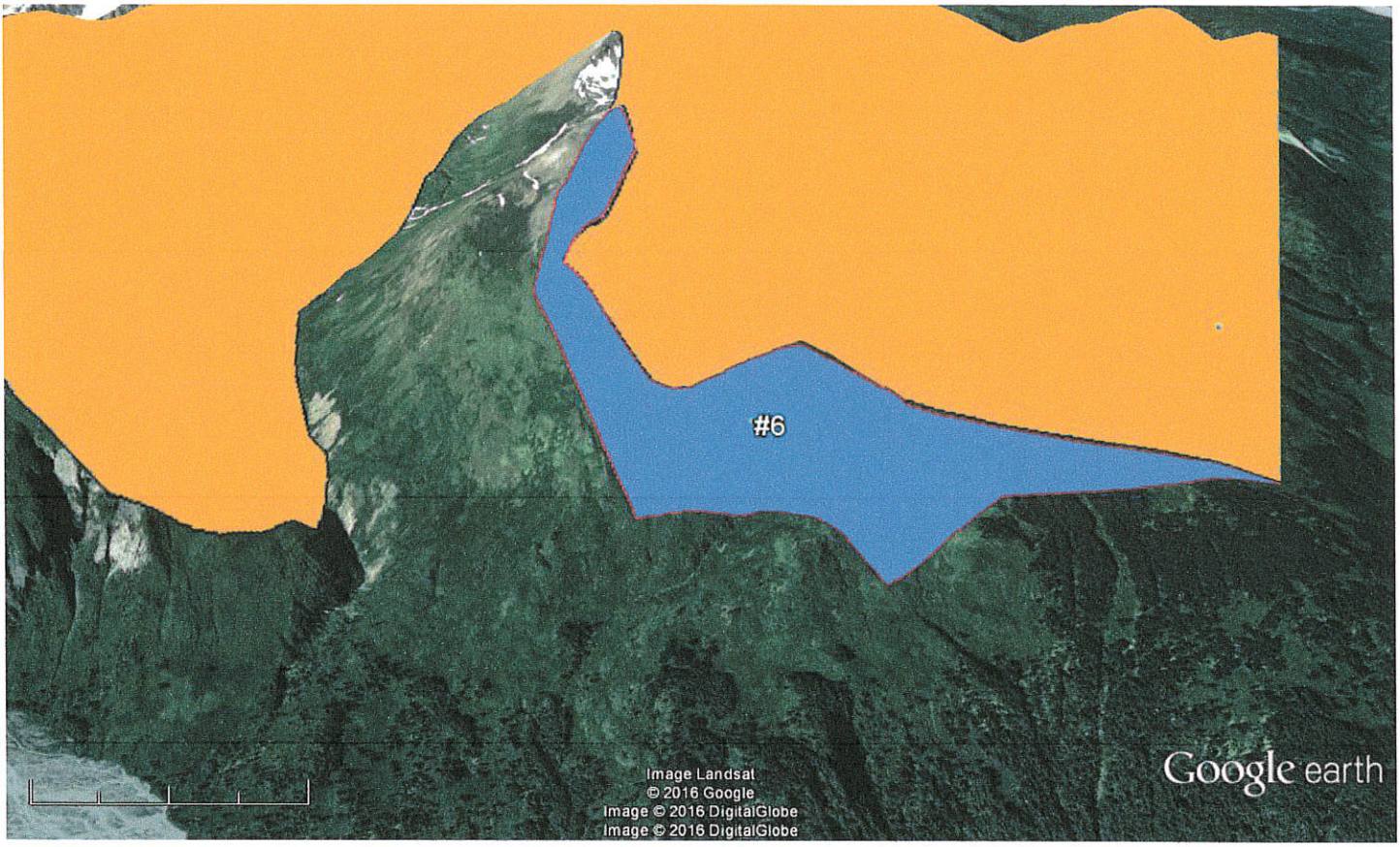

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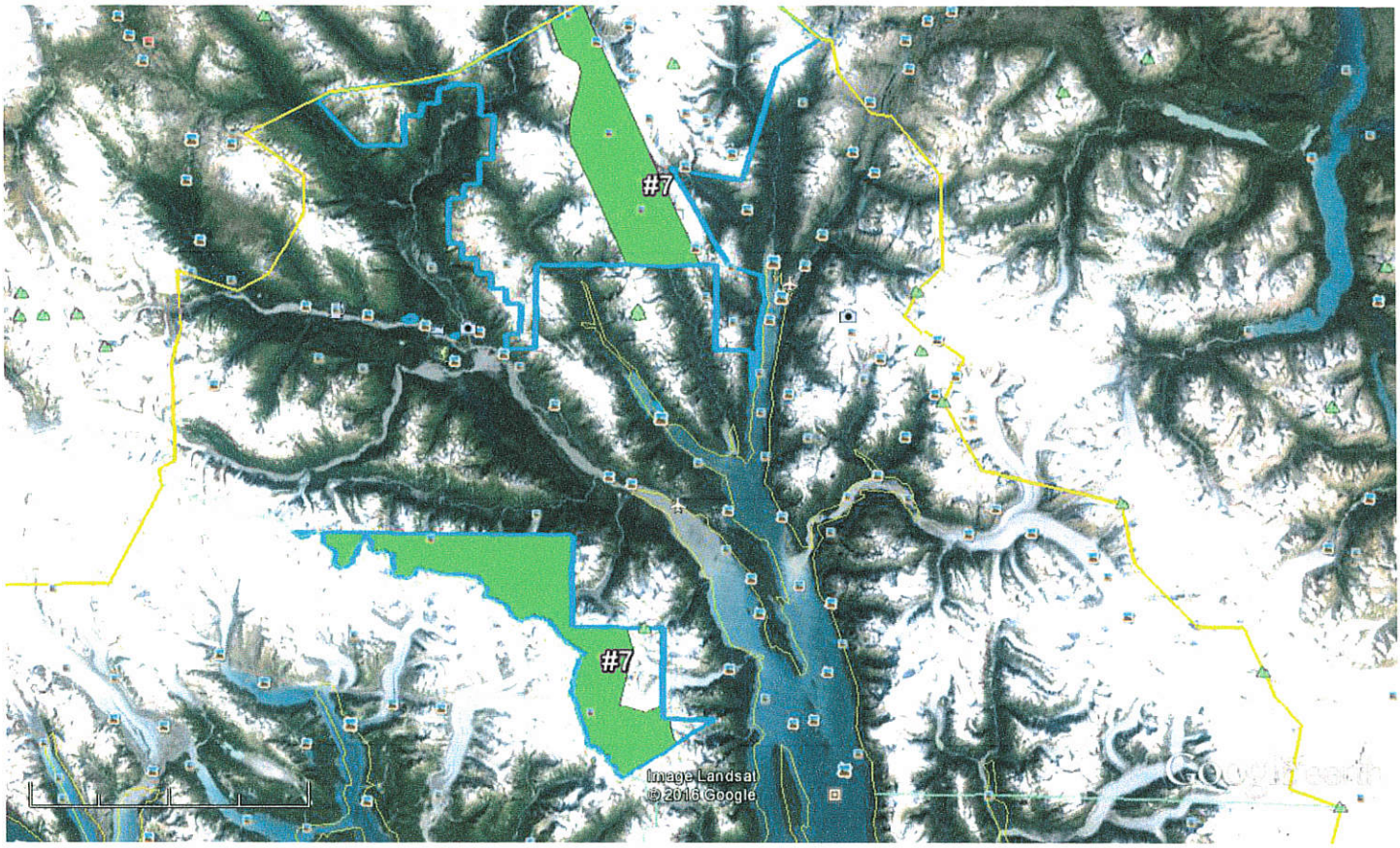

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Remove BLM Lands in Green From Map
#6 Addition of ski terrain to 1500 ft PZ
#5 LZ Correction from 2012
#4 PZ safety and 2012 correction
#3 PZ safety
#2 PZ safety
Area in Orange needs to be added if BLM
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