CHUGACH NATIONAL FOREST

Glacier & Seward Ranger Districts

EMERGENCY ORDER for SPECIAL CLOSURE Glacier & Seward Districts Snowmobile Area Closures

Pursuant to Title 36 Code of Federal Regulations 261.50 (a) and (b), the following restrictions are in effect on the Glacier and Seward Ranger Districts of the Chugach National Forest. These restrictions are in addition to those enumerated in Subpart A, Part 261, Title 36, Code of Federal Regulations, and become effective when signed and will remain in effect until May 7, 2018.

Prohibited Acts:

36 CFR 261.53 – Special Closures 36 CFR 261.53(f) – Property

Due to adequate coverage in the Turnagain Pass region, the area outlined in Exhibit A (Turnagain Pass) will remain open to over snow vehicles through May 6th, 2018.

Due to inadequate snow conditions and to prevent resource damage, all other National Forest System lands within the Glacier & Seward Ranger Districts of the Chugach National Forest will close to winter motor vehicle use on April 27th. Operating or possessing a snowmobile on or within the Glacier & Seward Ranger Districts of the Chugach National Forest as described in attachment "A" is prohibited, except in Turnagain Pass.

Exceptions:

Pursuant to Title 36 CFR 261.50 (e) the following are exempt from this order:

- 1. Any person with a permit authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission.
- 2. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of any organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.

These prohibitions are in addition to the general prohibitions in 36 CFR Part 261, Subpart A.

This order is effective until May 7, 2018.

Executed in Anchorage, Alaska, this 27th day of April, 2018.

/s/

April 27, 2018

Date

TERRI MARCERON Forest Supervisor Chugach National Forest

Penalty:

Violations of these Prohibitions are punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000 for an individual or \$10,000 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than six months or both. [16 U.S.C. 551, and 18 U.S.C. 3559 and 3571]

Notification:

A copy of this order shall be posted as prescribed under 36 CFR 261.51

