

Vehicle Barriers Around UAF Lands

To: Chancellor Marshall Lind

From: John D. Craven, Chair
UAF Master Planning Committee

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Subject: MPC Recommendation Related to Vehicle Barriers Around UAF Lands

The UAF Trails Committee has submitted to the Master Planning Committee (MPC) a plan for construction of barriers around UAF lands to limit access by well-intentioned owners of motorized vehicles. It is the Trails Committee's intent to place these barriers only at locations on UAF lands where sufficient trees and brush are absent naturally or by human activity to suggest an entrance to forested lands generally reserved for non-motorized activity. More specifically these areas are located around Ballaine Lake (DOT and UAF lands) and on UAF lands adjacent to Farmer's Loop Road (north of North Tanana Drive), Sheep Creek Road (near Smith Lake), and Yankovich Road (at and near Miller Hill Road). One additional barrier is to be installed north of the Skarland Cabin to end direct auto access to the Skarland 6-Mile Trail.

All specific plans have been or are to be presented to Facilities Services for review of technical and legal issues. The effort is funded by a grant and the work is to be carried out largely by volunteers. The MPC considers the Trails Committee's plan for these specific barriers to be consistent with MPC's long-term plan for the UAF campus and hereby formally recommends that you approve the effort. It is further recommended that appropriate public notices be placed announcing the planned installations.