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RESOLUTION AO 2011-70  
BEACH LAKE REGIONAL MASTER PLAN  
#2023-03-02 (Version 1)

Whereas, Birchwood Community Council supports the 2011 updated Beach Lake Regional Master Plan AO 2011-70

Whereas, many mushing trails are now gone. The mushing trails in Beach Lake Park are the only seasonally “dedicated” safe trail system for dog mushers in the Municipality of Anchorage. Because of this loss, the Beach Lake Master Plan which protects the mushing trails, has to specifically be followed.

Whereas, the Chugiak Eagle River Parks and Recreation Department is considering permitting and constructing a seasonal multi-use trail that will intersect the dedicated mushing trails to allow access to Cook Inlet.

Whereas, the Chugiak Eagle River Parks and Recreation Department acknowledges a new non-grade separated trail would interfere with the permitted mushing trails. Non-permitted and problematic use of the mushing trails is already occurring.

Therefore, Birchwood Community Council supports the initial construction of a seasonal multi-use trail but believes it is essential to set aside funding for the grade separated trail as soon as possible. The Park Department needs to follow trail development layout clearly described in the adopted Beach Lake Regional Master Plan.

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