F Stuart Chapin

Dear Alaska comment center,

I urge you NOT to approve the transportation plan and associated state expenditures on the road system that would allow ore to be hauled from the proposed Manh Choh mine to a processing facility near Fairbanks. This would constitute a massive subsidy by the state of Alaska for the mining operation by upgrading roads and bridges for use by ore-hauling trucks as well as a substantial hazard for other drivers. There are much more urgent needs for Alaska state funds than subsidizing this mining operation. The mining company has claimed that the mine would be profitable if a processing plant were built at the site of the mine. Thanks for considering this comment, F. Stuart Chapin, III 2158 Penrose Lane Fairbanks, AK 99709