Dan as a new member on the North Campus Subcommittee (NCS) has a fresh perspective and has comments regarding the Plan. There is a lack of balance. Coverage in the Plan is weighted towards recreation and outreach, and away from research. 51% of research revenue in Alaska comes through UAF. Not all research uses the NCA, but some do. There is a lot of research history here, and it is inadequately represented in the history section of the Plan. There are many management details provided for the trails, but none for research. There are roads within the NCA that were built as roads, still used as roads, but called trails in the Plan. This is misleading. There should be a more detailed treatment of research uses in the NCA. The agreement for the land used at the CIGO site is a permanent agreement. Funding for the CIGO site is through a twenty year agreement with the USGS.

General responses from other committee members:

Rich? The fact that research is not well represented in the history section is known. This has been addressed by an expanded history section written by Pat Holloway.

Carol? Trails are managed not only because they are used for recreation, but also because they are access to research sites. Trails and roads are the access for all activities that occur in the NCA.

Pets - The details in the Plan that reference trails are, in fact, restrictions on trail development activities.