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It has been brought to my attention that it is being considered to shut down many parts of the beloved forestry. To be honest I am a little frustrated as this is the first I have heard of this and only because of a friend telling me did I find out. Sure this was on your website but as a normal person with a busy life I would have never known about this change had it not been for the friend that also found out. This is a sad way of making changes without really notifying the public to give ample opportunity to help try and save what we have grown to love. I am in favor of plan 1 but in lieu of Plan 1 (Do Nothing and wait until the next president is elected), Plan 3 is the only option with which we are truly left and save my desire to even want to come to your woods. I get frustrated with management in implementing all these closures yet I keep paying for all these passes to be able to access the woods. If money is an issue why not first open up opportunities for work parties, things that people can sign up for and help out. I know there have been many times as a scout master I have offered to make my boys clean up areas if I could have a place to hold the trash. In lieu of being told there was no place to dump the trash I was only able to have my boys only clean up the immediate area of the camp as we did not have room to hold much more. But had we had more options we could have made it out to be a real service project and do more for you guys and serving ourselves to protect the environment.

I also hear that it is strongly being considered to shut down the shooting area. Yes I agree this is mess out there but at least its in one area. taking away this area for people to go will only make people find new areas. It is a human nature find areas to enjoy nature and outdoor activities, sadly there are some/many that hurt the opportunity for others. I just hate the idea of people going out into other areas that are not up against the backside of the mountain. Either leave it there or find a gravel pit that can still mostly contain the shooting. As for those that do go shooting out there I wonder how many of them actually have forestry passes to even be out there. And if not they need to be fined as long as it is clearly posted.

Again I really hope that the forestry management does not just make rash decisions to shut down parts of the forestry that many of us love. As for me and many others that I know of would quit coming which means we would no longer need to pay for the multiple passes that we do every year. As a person that loves the outdoors I would rather be part solution and volunteer to help once or twice a year and could get a work partying to assist if that would help save our access to the woods. I also would hate to see roads get Kelly humps put in, in case there was a fire. Totally blocking off the roads could be a total disaster in case of a fire and getting crew back in there. Sadly those woods are a tender box and could go up any time and access needs to be available to save the woods.

As someone that loves the woods that you manage please don't close them down.

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