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Comments: Well I commented with heart on the Blue River Post, but here goes. I am an avid hiker and have been on the River over 30 years, taught here and give to the community. I also am a protector of the forest and by all my passes and do the right thing. One thing I never do anymore is go to Blue Pool or take anyone there. It is ruined. A parking lot will solve the highway problem, not the human problem. Too many people and too many people with intention to conquer the place. By the size of the parking lot idea, the influx on that trail will continue to be on overloaded. The only thing I see that would work is like the Hot Springs. Limit and charge. that will control parking better and make it a nicer experience. It may also keep people from going in the water and being hurt. So sad though our scenic McKenzie Trail is now a speedway for bikes and a scary place to walk. So making a parking lot only skirts the true issue. As Joni Mitchell said.. Take paradise put up a parking lot...