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Comments: As one who enjoys camping on the Rim, I completely understand the need for change. Those of us who are respectful of the environment should not be penalized for the misdeeds of those who trash it. Rather than closures, I propose a permit system with an educational component. People venturing out into wild spaces need to understand and implement "leave no trace" practices. There should also be changes made to the method of managing human waste (this is a huge problem on the Rim). We have far too many people using this area for catholes to be a reasonable method of human waste management, and a shocking number of people apparently don't even know how to do dig a hole. Human waste should be packed out along with the rest of the trash. Period.

Make this permit process like obtaining a drivers license; one must test to receive their permit.