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Comments: Wilderness Area Access Permit Fees

I understand the Forest Service is collecting public feedback regarding public fees at many trailheads in the Deschutes and Willamette National Forests. I am writing to express my opposition to the required permits and possibility of permit fees for hiking on any public lands. The USFS should be encouraging rather than discouraging American's from recreating on national forest service land. By doing so we can foster a better appreciation for the environment while encouraging American's to participate in an activity that is good for their health. If the USFS wants to restrict overuse of federal land, they should start by restricting the use of OHV's, snowmobiles and other motorized vehicles which have far more impact on the environment.

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