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The main problem with overcrowding on the trails in the two areas is your failure to maintain the trails you already have. Many trails have been abandoned.

An example is the Brush Creek trail which was a very popular trail. This trail was abandoned after the B&B fire. I attended two meetings at the Sisters R.S. several years ago about abandoned trails. There was very strong support for keeping the Brush Creek trail open. This is the shortest trail to the Pacific Crest Trail and to Rockpile Lake. The forest service promised to maintain it. They never did.

Fewer trails, more crowding on the trails that remain. Central Oregon is the fastest growing area in Oregon.

My friend Linda Anderson and I are volunteering and are opening the lower part of the Bear Valley Lake trail which was another trail abandoned by the forest service. This is work that should be done by the forest service. There are YCC and CCC crews that could be doing this work.

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