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Hi

I like the idea of season passes or day passes, but a per night fee for camping I would like to see an exemption. There are so many people that try to hike from Canada to Mexico and many don't have a lot of money, they are young. Often these are college students on summer break. As a general rule they also seem to be the ones less likely to cause harm to the wilderness.

Maybe I'm wrong, I'm 67 and it seems to me when I was hiking our wildernesses, 45 years ago, the people I ran into were the ones cleaning up the mess left by fishermen and others that just hiked in to party. I know I hiked in with a pack full and out with a pack full picking up any trash I ran across to replace the food I ate.

I don't have problems with night fees but maybe an exemption for those hiking border to border, which I never accomplished.

Thanks

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