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Comments: Special limited entry permits and day use fees

This is to register my comments regarding establishing special limited entry permits and day use fees for Mt Jefferson, 3 sisters, and my Washington wilderness areas. As a lifelong Oregonian who has enjoyed hiking in these areas, I would like for these areas to be kept open for us to continue to enjoy the public lands at No charge - no day use or overnight fees. I haven't seen a need for increased enforcement. Especially If there is limited entry, then there shouldn't be a need for more enforcement. The proposal for an outside private company to charge a processing fee in addition to the permit just inflated the price for people who want to enjoy nature and doesn't even help with the monitoring that is proposed. This doesn't benefit the lands at all - it's double dipping. What this would do is prohibit some people from being able to go hiking or enjoy our wilderness areas, including students, older persons, families with limited income, etc. This is terrible. It's devastating to think about how this will limit our access and usage and enjoyment of the beauty of Oregon. This is what makes us unique. We are already paying taxes to support the forest service. So no more fees please!

Thanks for your consideration.

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