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Comments: Public Comment Regarding Proposed Permits

Hello,

I object to the permit system, as I abide by leave no trace principles, and my access to public lands is going to be limited, even though I am a responsible individual. Not only do these permits limit the spontaneous nature of my outdoor activities, they also are set to place a new financial burden on my favorite form of recreation.

I love hiking because it gets me outside and only costs me for gear and gas. I am not pleased that the permits will require a service fee on top of the price charged. I believe the permits should be as reasonable as possible, i.e. \$1, with no more than a \$1 fee = \$2 total. I do not need extra rangers to police me because I am following the rules, and do not recognize a justified need for extra personnel. I think increased education regarding leave no trace principles should be provided, and the public should take in pride in the maintenance of their lands.

I pay yearly for a variety of parking passes, including a Northwest Forest Pass. The fact that a parking permit is included in the fee means NOTHING to me, because I've already payed for the pass in advance.

This system creates a burden on my activities that is unnecessary and the last thing I want is more unnecessary fees placed on top of already unappreciated restraints in my use of public land.

Sincerely,

Molly