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Hello,

I have lived in Sisters for 10 years, and spend countless hours backpacking, day hiking, snow shoeing, and cross country skiing in our amazing local mountains.

I have seen an enormous increase of people out on the trails (some not prepared ).

I understand why you are concerned about the impact to our beautiful forests, however, I believe locals should have the right before and over anyone else to be allowed to enjoy their backyard.

This is our home and I help maintain it's integrity in a small way by picking up garbage whenever I am out.

I know this is not an easy decision, and keeping the beauty of our forests is first and foremost.

Selfishly, I hope to be able to continue to enjoy my spontaneous hikes up Tam Mcgarthur Rim, sunrise hikes on Smith Rock, to name just a very few.

Please slow us locals to continue to love and be apart of our land.

Thank you,

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