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I wish to comment on the CCWSP Permit Fee Proposal

An unintended consequence of these incredibly restrictive permit proposals will be as follows:

Individuals wishing to hike the PCT in the affected areas in Oregon will find it too restrictive, and as such they will then abuse the PCTA thru-hiker permit process, getting a thru-hiker permit when their only intent is to hike in the state of Oregon. This already happens on the John Muir Trail which is so restrictive in its permits process that people just obtain a thru-hiker permit so they can hike the JMT and/or Mt Whitney. You will see the exact same thing with people recognizing it is just much easier, and free, to obtain a thru-hiker permit than to go through the insanely restrictive proposed limits for CCWSP. Your proposed fees are way too high and not in line with similar fees throughout the country, and your proposed use limits are too restricting, to such a degree one could refer to them as un-American in that the public should have the right to access public land without too much government interference, and your proposed limitations are most certainly too much.

Kindest regards,

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