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Hello,

As an avid hiker in Oregon who pays for their annual forest recreation pass, every year. I do NOT support the enforcement of added fees for hiking on trailheads in the Willamette area, unless those fees are only for people who have out of state plates on their vehicles. By doing that you will be losing many potential visitors to those trails per year. Including college students who enjoy to hike without the added fees. I pay for my annual forest pass every year which gets me into 98% of hiking trails in the Oregon and Washington State area. If you want to do something about it, maybe you should increase forest service rangers that enforce tickets on people who are in violation per those areas. Put signs up saying forest service pass needed for these areas you are proposing on adding fees too. Or by making people with out of state license plates on their vehicles pay for these added fees. As a lifelong Oregonian I thoroughly enjoy the access to recreation trails for hiking... That being said please do not add fees. And if you do fee the out-of-state people that are coming to Oregon to use our public parks and trails. DO NOT make fellow Oregonians pay the price for this, making it more inaccessible to the vast majority of people who can't afford to pay 3\$ per person per tail. Or 5\$ per person per night at a trail. Oregon has main beautiful areas and me and many, many others enjoy because of no fees or a ANNUAL forest recreation pass.

Thank you,

Isaiah