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Dear Willamette National Forest,

I am an Oregonian, originally from Eugene but now live in Portland. I grew up on the McKenize River and am very familiar with the area because I would backpack, climb, and hike in the proposed restricted areas. As a climber I have had extreme difficulty in the last ten years getting permits and then once I have them not be able to climb due to bad weather. I used to climb Mt. St. Helen's every year and have only been able to climb once in the last four years. I've seen the planned quotas and it appears to be very restrictive. I realize that some restrictions may be necessary eventually but this seemed unreasonable. It also appears that it will be a hardship for individuals that want to hike the PCT with the requirement of knowing exactly when you will arrive and how long it will take you to hike through the area. Hopefully the FS will be open to feedback and try to be flexible in this process. Thank you for consideration.

Best regards, Dana Gardner

Sincerely,

Dana Gardner