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Dear Willamette National Forest,

I am concerned that the current proposals for the Deschutes and Willamette National Forests will create safety issues for climbers and/or unduly create too large of a burden. I believe that a portion of permits should be held for walk-up, first come first serve availability to allow climbers to attempt summits during good weather windows, which decreases potential weather-related accidents and the chances of getting lost, both of which result in increased search and rescue missions within Wilderness areas.

Other areas that allow walk-up permits like the Olympic National Park and areas in the North Cascades National Park would be two systems that I would consider modeling the program after.

Thank you for considering my input,

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