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Comments: For years the hiking and hunting areas utilized in this area have been well kept by both the service and by the users. To close these trails now would affect several areas. Regarding hunting, the culling of the deer herds (desperately needed) would allow population to increase to dangerous levels (already at dangerous levels, but this helps to keep them "manageable").

Hiking and motorized traffic also have a tendency to alert the service to some dangerous situations that occur in this area (even in undergrowth recognition).

For birders and scientists, these closures would eliminate opportunities to report newfound and thought extinct species.