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Comments: Central Cascades wilderness hiking permit system

I'm opposed to a hiking permit system for access to to our National Forests. The real wilderness threats are loss of access, privatization, logging, mineral extraction. Get people out to see our wilderness. That builds a constituency for real protection. Litter is a bad thing, but I see little of it on the trail, and fellow hikers are pleasant, add safety and may actually discourage litter. Also, I hike based on the weather. Seldom plan a hike more than a day in advance, making a permit system impractical.