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Comments: Central Cascades wilderness hiking permit system

I'm opposed to a hiking permit system for access 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.