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Comments: I for one oppose the suggested new "Forest Order". More and More closures due to minimal problems in my opinion. These caves have been used by many good and bad, more good for recreating and family outings. The last thing I hate to see are more rules and "seasonal closures" due (once again) to a few rotten apples. I have repeatedly recreated in all said caves since the mid 80's and it chaps my hide to see ANY vandalism, but as I mentioned the few times it happens (and I have cleaned up a few in my time) does not justify such drastic actions and expenditures for patrolling and or more gating.

I have seen the problem of vandalism in a few caves more often since the closure of very many caves along China hat road, it just concentrated more people to the ones which were graciously left open to the public (Boyd for one), now those few are threatened with the same closures.

To myself this puts the brakes on "adventure" to any public person wishing to see cool things alone or with family at a drop of the hat to get out of town or the home.

It scares me anytime "regulation" is mentioned,, EG; a few caves in the list of the order are labeled as "seasonal closures" -not correct, since they were gated in the 90's never have they been open for public use,, oh but licensed tour services are allowed inside for a "fee" from customers (Skeleton cave),, how does that sound for access to a "public" area?

I personally miss the days of the 90's freely enjoying said caves along China hat road-and foresaw the newly reopened Arnold Ice cave being the next for closure, with sadness.