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Comments: I am writing to express my support for the Order prohibiting camping and campfires in Deschutes National Forrest off of the Cascade Lakes Highway near the Widgi Creek development.

As a Widgi Creek homeowner, I have personally observed the impact of nearby camping. For example, campers have frequently built campfires within sight of Widgi Creek while ignoring the level of fire danger or "no burn" warnings. Last summer, I personally placed a call to 911 to report a large campfire during a "red flag" fire warning. In my opinion and observation, this and similar actions represent a direct threat to property and lives and should therefore be banned.

Thank you for your attention to this matter,

Carl Azar