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Comments: It is unbelievable that the Forest Service caved in on negotiating this trade at the expense of protecting the Wilderness Side of our beloved crown jewel--Mt Hood.

The appraisals are totally made up to justify the USFS approving this swap. The comps are not like property or anywhere near and most like forced to get the wanted values.

We residents from Parkdale to Cooper Spur are concerned about traffic and environmental impact to the area should Cooper Spur be allowed to develop the acreage down the road. The narrow winding 2 lane road is already very dangerous in good weather and more hazardous in winter. It is also a fragile wildlife area, where there is already too much activity. Many Parkdale and Hood River Valley homes rely on the drinking water supply and keeping it safe.

Mt Hood Meadows already has created issues by allowing too many people on the slopes, causing major traffic problems as well as serious accidents on Hwy 35 & US 26, often hours in delays also impacting traffic coming and going to Central Oregon. They also put too many people on the slopes with no monitoring for safety causing many injuries and even death, Why isn't Ski Patrolling the slopes required as part of their lease? I've been a downhill skier for over 50 years and no longer ski at MHM due to their lack of patrolling the slopes, traffic, and lack of concern for skier safety. Mt Bachelor is a way better option these days.

As a homeowner at Mt. Shadows Sub-Divison off Cooper Spur Road, I'm also very concerned about the impact of being surrounded by US Forest land, that is not patrolled, where people may be hunting, camping, building fires, leaving trash, and running Off-Road Vehicles just feet from our decks and yards.

Please make further restrictions to this land and protect all the people.