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Comments: My comment is in regard to the Hermit Lake component of this deal where several existing shelters are proposed to be removed. The original proposal would cut the available sheltered sleeping slots from 76 to 36, more than in half. I read an alternative to the proposed action that indicated an option to construct 1 or 2 four walled, heated cabins. I would strenuously recommend that 2 of these alternative cabins be constructed as opposed to the original proposal that would result in such a dramatic reduction in sheltered sleeping space. Backcountry skiing is exploding in popularity and winter traffic to the Hermit Lake area is sure to increase dramatically. It would be prudent to plan for this by enhancing the ability to accommodate overnight winter visitors vs limiting it