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The Proposal states that half of the Ferncroft Hiker Parking lot will be closed when logging trucks are hauling out timber. Recreation is at least as important a use of the forest as timber operations. The Ferncroft parking lot is used by folks seeking recreational opportunities in this area. How did the USFS determine that closing half the parking lot is preferable to establishing an alternative parking area for folks seeking recreational opportunities when logging is in progress?

Safety in the Ferncroft parking lot. Once hikers have parked their vehicle they walk on FR 337 in both eastern and western directions to access trails. This is the same road that logging vehicles will be using. Frequently hikers' dogs also wander in the parking area and on the road. When the Ferncroft parking lot is shared by hikers and logging vehicles, what safety precautions and procedures will the USFS employ to ensure the safety of both pedestrians and dogs who both drive and walk in the Ferncroft parking lot and on FR 337?

When vehicles on FR 337 are approaching the parking lot from the east, there is poor visibility of any activity in the eastern end of the parking lot. Both hikers exiting from the Port a Potty and cars in the last few parking spots are difficult for drivers of logging vehicles to see until they enter the parking lot. Will logging trucks be required to stop when they enter the parking lot from the East?