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Comments: While I am a hiker and appreciate trail development, I have some concerns about:

1) spending money on the Pacific Northwest Trail - federal, state or local - when current trails and roads into them are in such disrepair. Priority! Many current trails that could/should be accessible to families, lower income folks, etc., are impossible to access.

2) backpacking wilderness trails are somewhat elitist due to expense of equipment, travel, etc.

3) impact on wildlife! \$\$\$ is being spent to save and reintroduce animals like grizzlies and lynx to areas of the trail yet human presence often disrupts success. Not even machines like snow mobiles - just people.

Please think about exactly what is most important in future development, best use and success of wildlife.

Thank you