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Comments: Please do NOT allow ANY commercial guiding operations or invite ANY tourist access into the Dredge Lake area trails. This is one of the few easy-access, "locals only" areas left in the valley. It is well loved and already experiences heavy daily use by a high volume of local hikers, bikers, skiers and dog walkers year round. It is unique in many ways and needs protections from commercialism and tourist crowds. Locals need this area to recreate away from tourist operations and continue to be able to have their dogs off-leash. Due to the heavy year-round local use, Dredge Lake trails are already in dire need of long-overdue trail maintenance. Bringing tourists there would further degrade the area (trail overuse, wildlife habitat) and cause more parking and traffic flow issues.

Please keep Dredge Lake area trails a sacred place for the people that live here!! Locals love this natural area and they deserve to have an easily accessible recreation spot away from masses of people. Keep Dredge Lakes area a neighborhood trail system for residents to enjoy without the overwhelming noise and crowds of commercial tourism.

Please let's not "love this place to death".

Thank you!!!