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Comments: To Whom It May Concern:

I do not support the proposal to allow dispersed camping in Chalk Creek. My family first camped in the Cascade Campground beginning in 1968. Eventually, they became homeowners in Alpine until this past October. During those years, we saw the number of people using the Chalk Creek area grow exponentially. In the last ten to fifteen years, there has been a problem of illegal camping and illegal campfires in areas outside of the designated campgrounds. There was never enough manpower in the US Forest Service or local law enforcement to properly police this. This canyon has only one way in or out for regular automobile traffic. (Tin Cup pass is barely usable for 4X4 vehicles.) The added danger of accidental wildfires and the resulting possibility of becoming trapped in the canyon which this proposal represents, makes it unacceptable.