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Comments: Good Afternoon, I wanted to comment on the Blue Lakes Visitor Use management plan. I very much want to see this area protected but as a local, there are a few trails that I visit frequently due to their proximity and do not want the ability to hike there to be taken away from me. The beauty of living here is being able to pack up and go for a hike when timing works out and to not always have to plan for these things and hope to get a permit. If there is a way to permit visitors and not locals, I would support this or perhaps only permit on Sat & Sun but to have everyone at all times need a permit to hike this trail would be pretty rough for those that live locally and utilize this area regularly. I understand a major issue is toilet paper/trash and wondering if the addition of bathrooms/porta-potties or something else would help instead of permitting everything. Thank you for your consideration and I hope there is a way to balance the protection of the area and allowing the locals a bit more freedom to use the trails.