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Comments: I understand that there are plans to institute a day use permit system in the Blue Lakes area. I am aghast at this idea. I do not approve. There are already too many places that I have intended to visit for which I could not because a permit was required and I do not reside in the state to readily get one. Some places have a lottery in place and others have a set number of permits that can be issued in a day. I understand the limitation in terms of preserving natural beauty but that does not seem to be the case here for Blue Lakes. Rather it sounds like a toll charge. It does not even sound like this fee is going to be used to provide for the construction and maintenance of bathrooms, let alone a regular sanitizing schedule. What on Earth is the goal here? To gouge citizens out of yet more of their resources? I do not mind paying fees for parking and camping as I know what those fees are for, but I am vehemently against this day use fee that seems purely for profit for what is essentially a not-for-profit agency. No no NO on Blue Lakes Visitor Use Management Plan #61979!!! Thank you for allowing me, a concerned citizen, to express my views to you to help the Forest Service keep "a balance and make decisions in the best interest of the public lands and the public."